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HARRISBURG NEWS LETTER.

Penrose and Brumbaugh Forces Having a Merry Fight, and the Public to Suffer for Lack of Beneficial Legislation.

The Penrose-Brumbaugh row is going merrily forward, but the pushing is all from the Penrose end. It is noticeable here that since the Speakership fiasco the Brumbaugh forces are saying and doing nothing and it looks as though they would be content to let bad enough alone and not invite an investigation of the Governor and his administration. The Gang forces under Penrose, however, are following up their Speakership victory with an earnestness which shows their determination to utterly exterminate the Brumbaugh crowd before the next Gubernatorial campaign comes. Penrose has announced that the investigation of the State administration will positively be made and that if the evidence warrants, impeachment proceedings against the Governor will naturally follow. He has also named a "War Board" consisting of the State Senators Jim McNichol of Philadelphia, Bill Sproul of Delaware County, and Larry Eyre of Chester County, President pro tem Beidleman of Dauphin, Speaker Baldwin, Auditor General-elect Snyder, Representative Woodward of Allegheny, Chairman of the House State Committee, and Slated Chairman of the House appropritation committee, W. Harry Baker, Secretary of the Republican State Committee, also Secretary of the Senate, William S. Leib, Resident Clerk of the House and organization boss in Schuylkill County. Gangsters to the limit, every one of them, and Penrose himself is to preside over their celiberations. The sole purposes of this organization is to thwart Brumbaugh in any of his appointments and to kill any legislation that savors of progress. Not a single word has been said for beneficial legislation for this great Commonwealth, the whole program this year is to use the State, its institutions, and the $70,000,000 appropriations to wipe out the Brumbaugh faction and eliminate if possible a contest for Republican nomination for Governor next year. How long the good people of this State are going to submit to the Penrose ruination policy is hard to tell, but he is playing as though the patience of the people knew no end and it may be he can get away with the bacon awhile longer.

Senator Penrose has reached the point in his attack upon Governor Brumbaugh where he asserts that the chief excutive will have to face charge of perjury in connection with the 1914 campaign fund, malfeasance in office and bribery. He details some of the offences he declares himself ready and able to prove.

It is due the Governor to say that these threats, hanging over him for months, have not deterred him from continuing his opposition to Penrose. But the open charges that he committed perjury and bribery would seem to place an obligation upon him, as well as upon his accusers, to force an investigation without delay. The interests of the State—the interests of law—must be considered as paramount to those of either Brumbaugh or Penrose. It must not be allowed to rest as a matter of "personal choice" with either. No continuance of the sensational stories should be allowed on the basis of the Governor's ignoring charges against him, or on the basis of Penrose's going no farther than to threaten action. Protection of the name of the state demands that the end of this disgraceful controversy be reached as soon as possible.

Penrose threatens to probe the various departments under the Brumbaugh administration; charateristically, he singles out as one object of his suspicion the insurance department, which for the first time since its organization is directed by an efficient and courageous official, who has done more than all his predecessors to put fear into the hearts of insurance crooks. A complete investigation covering the last two administrations would probably be wholesome, for it would bring into open contrast the operations and methods under Penrose-Tener regime and a Brumbaugh regime.

Incidentally, if Penrose and his allies decide to force an inquiry into the administration's record, it ought to be in order to include the matter of corruption of a former mayor of Philadelphia.

Married on New Year's Day.

Frank Palmer and Miss Bertha Armstrong, both of Potters Mills, were married on the morning of New Year's day, by Rev. M. C. Piper, at his home in Milesburg. The young people have the best wishes of their many friends.

The Millheim Inn is giving out pretty little souvenirs in the shape of pocket mirrors.

PROF. LOSE SPEAKS AT INSTITUTE.

The Modern School and Teacher Far Ahead of Old-Time School, Says Principal of Central State Normal, at Teachers' Local Institute.

Education in eastern Penns Valley will very likely be raised a notch or two within the next year if parents and teachers will be guided by the suggestions offered by Prof. Charles Lose, principal of the Central State Normal School, Lock Haven, who opened the teachers' local institute in district No. 1, at Millheim, on Friday evening. The auditorium where the sessions were held, was packed to the doors on that evening, to listen to Prof. Lose, who as a practical school man ranks among those occupying the front line in this state. Prof. Lose's subject was "The modern school," and in discussing this topic he drew a vivid picture of the old-time school building as compared with the modern school building, as well as the old-time teacher and the modern teacher. Needless to say, the former in each instance suffered by comparison, for Prof. Lose is a modern teacher himself and has experienced the changes for the better in school life which have surely taken place within the past thirty years or less.

To prove that the art and science of teaching was being given the deepest sort of study by the best thinkers and writers of today, Prof. Lose stated that as superintendent of schools he was able to recommend to his teachers one hundred different books which had been written within a year, treating of new school problems and showing wherein schools may be made more efficient. The old-time school house stood in sorrowful contrast to the modern school of today, and Prof. Lose, no doubt, had in mind the consolidated school as it is in force in some states (but not Pennsylvania) with its healthful moral, physical and mental atmosphere; where school children are encouraged to remain about the premises after school hours, instead of being chased home; where play grounds, lighted if you please, so that even at night children may congregate and enjoy various healthful sports instead of being found on the streets where the influence is always for evil; where manual training is part of the curriculum; where rooms are well lighted and automatically kept at an even temperature; where it may be said of closets that they are clean, decent, private, and sanitary.

In every way, except one, Prof. Lose proved the modern school and modern teachers were far superior to the old-time class. This one exception pertained to lack of respect and courtesy which the modern pupil shows to superiors. Prof. Lose stated that whereas the school boy or girl of yesterday recognized his teacher or a passing individual with the tip of the cap or a courtesy, the 1917 youth was ready to let go a snow ball with unerring aim. Temptations, born of a speeding and hustling life, are the cause for this retrogression, thinks Prof. Lose. The fact that temptations have multiplied far faster than the efforts made to cope with them; the fact that the trend of population has been city-ward; and the reason that enforced idleness on the part of the boy and girl, brought about through the taking out of the home life various industries that in the modern times have become commercialized, has caused them to be drawn to harmful influences, are the answers to this question.

The evening session was in charge of Prof. C. Wasson, of the Coburn schools, who after a few pertinent remarks, introduced Prof. Lose.

The two sessions on Saturday were given over to the teachers in the district. The program was closely adhered to, the only variation being on account of the unavoidable absence of two of the teachers on the program and the introduction of Director Stover.

"What the first year in school should do for the child," was a topic well gone over by Miss Carrie Bartgee. The speaker who held closest to her subject of all on the floor, was Miss Sarah Fisher in her "Starting the beginners". Her talk was highly interesting from start to finish and the ideas presented could easily be put into practice.

"The school as a social institution" was the topic to which Prof. W. O. Heckman gave attention. A considerable portion of his talk was devoted to the necessity of teaching, by precept and example, politeness to school children.

A number of local Woodmen attended the picture show, "The value of a life," given under the auspices of the Millheim camp, M. W. A., in the auditorium at that place on Friday evening. The picture showed the work done at the world's largest tuberculosis sanatorium, at Colorado Springs, Colorado, maintained wholly by the Woodmen fraternity.

KEPT WEDDING SECRET TWO MONTHS; NOW IT'S OUT.

Miss Ruth Lambert Became Erdman West's Bride in November, Being Married in Pittsburgh.—Groom a "State" Senior.

After having successfully kept their friends in total darkness concerning their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Erdman West, after two months' secrecy, made public the announcement that the happy event took place in November.

The bride, nee Miss Ruth Lambert, is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lambert, of this place, and it was while the Lamberts were living at State College that Mr. West, in 1913, came there to enter the freshman class at The Pennsylvania State College, and took rooms at the Lambert home. A friendship between the young people ripened into love, and had its culmination in a happy marriage. It was during the Pennsylvania Day festivities at State College that the prospective bride left Centre Hall, ostensibly to attend that function, but according to well laid plans the groom-to-be boarded the train at Lemont and together they went to Pittsburgh where a license was procured and on Saturday, November 18th, Archdeacon Thomas Bigham tied the knot in St. Timothy's Episcopal church, Pittsburgh. They returned to State College on Sunday and came to Centre Hall on Monday, without any of their friends here having learned where they had been.

The groom is in his senior year at the Pennsylvania State College and upon his graduation in June will teach botany. With his mother he moved to Centre Hall from Philadelphia last spring, occupying a part of the double house on east Church street, owned by the Lamberts.

The best wishes for a happy wedded life are extended to the young couple by their many friends.

Home Talent Plays a Success.

Grange Arcadia was filled to the doors on last Thursday evening with an appreciative audience which much enjoyed the home talent plays, "A perplexing situation," and "Cornelia Pickle—Plaintiff." An amount close to $71.00 was taken in at the door, the greater part of which is clear to the young people of the Methodist faith, who gave the entertainment for the benefit of their church.

The stellar actors in the amateur performance included the Misses Hazel, Lillian and Margaret Emery, daughters of Merchant and Mrs. C. F. Emery. Every other performer acted his or her part in a creditable manner, while the singing of Mrs. Clyde Stover and the piano duets by Mrs. T. L. Moore and Mrs. Stover were also much appreciated.

Writes from Nebraska.

J. N. Erhart writes the Reporter from his home in Inavale, Nebraska, under date of January 6, as follows:

"Enclosed find check for three dollars for which put the date ahead on my label.

"Am also enclosing a picture of myself and cattle. The cattle were on feed forty days when the picture was taken. Crops were not very good the past year, but are bringing big prices: wheat, $1.70; corn, 80c; hogs, $10.00 per cwt. on foot; horses and cattle high; hay, $10.00 per ton.

"The feeding proposition looks pretty good now when 90-day fed cattle bring $9.40 per cwt. I am feeding 39 steers and 92 head of hogs. The steers cost me $39.00 per head the 2nd of March, 1916. I raised my hogs on alfalfa hay and 2800 bushels of corn; had to buy 1200 bushels of corn at 80 cents per bushel; will feed until the 15th of February."

State Asks for Big Appropriation.

A budget calling for State appropriation of almost $3,500,000 to meet the needs of The Pennsylvania State College during the next two years has been prepared by the board of trustees. This sum is required, they say, to maintain the institution and to erect new buildings made necessary by the rapid growth of the student body.

A State-wide campaign to inform the public of the work, growth and needs of the college has been launched. Circulars setting forth this information are being distributed by students, alumni and friends of the college. It is believed this activity, together with personal appeals to the members of the legislature will obtain an appropriation large enough to prevent further crippling of the institution.

Car of Dynamite in Wreck; All Safe.

A freight car loaded to its capacity with dynamite figured in a wreck at Shindle, Mifflin county, on Friday evening, and miraculous as it is, failed to let go, thereby saving human lives as well as preventing total destruction to the train of cars. It is supposed that the extremely cold weather was responsible for preventing a mighty explosion. The car in being derailed was thrown over on its side.

CLUB BOYS RECEIVE HONORS.

Highest Award in Corn Contest Goes to Berks County Lad.—Raised 120 Bushels Shelled Corn to Acre.

Sixty-seven exhibits were entered in the State boys' corn and potato club contest conducted by the Pennsylvania State College in connection with its annual Farmers' Week in December.

In awarding the prizes, the following points were taken into consideration: bushels of corn per acre, profit per acre, excellence of report or story of work done and the merit of the exhibit of corn or potatoes, as the case might be. Three prizes are offered in connection with this annual contest at State College. The first prize includes expenses for a winter course in agriculture at the College; the second prize, expenses to Farmers' Week; and third prize, three books on agricultural subjects. The judges of the contests are members of the staff of the School of Agriculture.

In the corn growing contest, Clarence D. Donkel of Myerstown, Berks county, won first prize with a score of 89.5 per cent. and yield per acre of 120 bushels shelled corn. Paul R. Snyder of Reading, Berks county, won second prize with a score of 83.1 per cent. and a yield per acre of 106.17 bushels. Lewis Dana Rice of Bloomfield, Perry county, won third prize with a score of 82.9 per cent. and a yield per acre 110.7 bushels.

In the potato growing contest, Neyman Carey of Sandy Lake, Mercer county, won first prize with a score of 94 per cent. and a yield per acre of 349.4 bushels. Clyde Herrick of Cambridge Springs, Crawford county, won second prize with a score of 69.4 per cent. and a yield per acre of 228.8 bushels. George B. Harris of Newtown, Bucks county, won third prize with a score of 66.7 per cent. and a yield per acre of 184.4 bushels.

The value of these contests is not to be measured in dollars and cents, but rather in the economic training they give the boys enlisted in them in keeping accounts of receipts and expenditures, the sense of ownership, achievement and ability which it generates and in the opportunities which club work in general provides for physical, intellectual, and social development and for recreation.

When it is remembered that the last census figures give 30 bushels as the average yield of shelled corn per acre in Pennsylvania and 83 bushels as the average yield of potatoes, the yields secured by the winners in this contest are, to say the least, startling. The lowest yield of corn in the contest was fifty-four bushels and the highest, 120 bushels. For potatoes the lowest yield was 184.4 bushels and the highest 394.4. bushels. These results augur well for the future of club work in Pennsylvania.

The counties represented in the contest are Beaver, Berks, Blair, Cambria, Fayette, Jefferson, Lawrence, Montgomery, Potter and Westmoreland.

The boys' club will be prosecuted on a larger scale this year by State College. Present plans comprehend the extension of the work into counties where it was not known last year. The end is not yet. This work constitutes only one of the activities directed by the department of agricultural Extension at The Pennsylvania State College.

State's Way to Reclaim Barren Land.

That the 5,000,000 acres of barren lands in Pennsylvania can be reclaimed by reforesting is finally established by reports given out by the Department of Foresty this week. These reports cover the planting of 21,000,000 trees on 13,000 acres of State Forest land.

The oldest plantation on record was made in 1902 in Franklin county with two year old white pine. About ninety per cent of these trees are now living, and they have an average height of fifteen feet.

Over the state at large, from seventy-five to eighty per cent of the total number of trees planted are living. The averages compare very favorably with figures from some of the German forests which have been under intensive management for over a century.

Sealer Makes First Report.

County Inspector of Weights and Measures Deamer T. Pearce has filed his first annual report on inspections in Centre county. Of 159 dry measures inspected 72 were condemned. Wagon scales inspected revealed 17 not weighing correctly and 15 of the number were condemned. Of 224 platform scales examined 32 were condemned and 7 adjusted. Of 206 computing scales inspected 30 were condemned and 4 adjusted. Gasoline pumps examined numbered 59, adjustments being made to 17, and 6 being condemned. After inspection to 630 avoirdupois weights 47 were condemned and 61 adjusted.

DEATHS.

Jacob S. Meyer died at his home below Penn Hall, Monday noon, a blood vessel in the brain bursting and causing paralysis. His death came as a great shock to his family and friends, since Mr. Meyer was in good health, even though he was just recovering from a week's illness from lumbago. An hour prior to his death he retired to a sleeping room, requesting that his dinner be brought him. Labored breathing brought his wife to his side, but only a few minutes before he passed away.

Deceased was a son of John and Elenore (Smith) Meyer and was born at the Meyer homestead where he died, on April 13th, 1854, being in his sixty-third year. Mr. Meyer was active in many lines of work, having farmed, taught school—both public and singing—was an expert poultryman, served as justice of the peace, secretary of school board, Grange and Odd Fellows, and in his church he was likewise active in its various branches. The name Meyer has become synonymous with music and J. S. Meyer has made that name famous in music circles because of his ability in that line. He was an upright citizen whose passing away is a great loss to the community in which he lived all his life.

Surviving him is his wife, nee Susanna C. Bitner, and the following children: Dr. J. Frank Meyer, of Washington, D. C.; Harry N., Bellefonte; Mrs. Harry F. McManaway, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Roy Kryder, of Chicago, Ill.; and Miss Gladys Meyer, of New Jersey.

He was the only surviving member of his father's family, one other brother having died in infancy. Religiously he was of the Reformed faith, a member of the Salem church at Penn Hall, whose pastor, Rev. W. D. Donat, will have charge of the funeral services at the house on Friday morning; interment in the Salem Reformed cemetery.

Those of the older residents of this place and Potter township will recall the name of George W. Kroll, who when a youth taught school in Penns Valley, later leaving for the west where he prospered in a business way. His death occurred on the 6th of January, as a result of heart trouble, and burial was made at Marcellus, Michigan, on the 9th.

Deceased was a native of York county, but came to Potter township with his mother while yet a child, living near Colyer. Some time in the 60's he taught his first term of school at Pine Stump, and later an advanced school at Farmers Mills. He was also at one time assistant principal of the Penn Hall academy. In 1871 he left for the west, subsequently locating at Marcellus, Michigan, where he embarked in the mercantile business prospering to such an extent that at the time of his death he was proprietor of a large department store. He was aged sixty-eight years, eight months and seven days.

His wife and two children survive him. Among the nieces living in this part of the state are Mrs. J. L. Tressler, of Linden Hall; Mrs. Thomas Decker, of Milroy; Mrs. Elmer Limbert, of Millheim; and two cousins—Mrs. Thomas Fleisher, of Tusseyville, and Mrs. Wm. Farner, of Colyer.

A. C. Ripka, of Centre Hall, whose step-mother was a sister of the deceased, probably knew Mr. Kroll better than any other person in this section and he first learned of his death.

Maize Savills, wife of Harry M. Weaver, and daughter of John and Julia Gentzel, died at her home near Rebersburg on Sunday. She was in delicate health for several years, troubled with diabetes. She was aged forty-seven years ten month and twenty-three days. She was the only child of the family and was born near Hublersburg. Surviving are the husband and three children: Stella C., Gail K., and John M. She was a member of the Reformed church, and as long as her health permitted was always in attendance at church services and prayer meeting. She had made many friends in the short time she was living in that community, and showed herself a devoted servant in the Master's kingdom.

Funeral on Wednesday morning; burial in the Union cemetery at Rebersburg, Rev. J. D. Hunsicker, her pastor, officiating.

Public Dedication.

The members of the local castle K. G. E. will hold a public dedicatory service in their new home in the Reporter building on Friday evening of this week. Grand Chief John F. Brounley, of Philadelphia, will have charge of the ceremony, assisted by Rev. W. H. Williams. The public is invited.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

A big delegation of Spring Mills folks braved the cold weather last Thursday evening to attend the home talent plays in Grange hall.

William Garis and Robert Meeker are the most recent of a number of Centre Hall's young men to find employment at the big steel mill at Burnham.

W. F. Floray is having his dwelling house wired for lighting with electricity. B. D. Brisbin will also have his home wired with a view of using the modern light.

The nearest to zero weather was indicated on the thermometer last Thursday night, when the government instrument in charge of the Reporter showed that mercury crept to within three degrees of the 0 mark.

All Centre countians will be most cordially welcomed at the Centre county association of Philadelphia banquet which will be held at the Hotel Adelphia, in that city, Thursday evening of next week.

The three inches of snow which fell Saturday furnished the necessary covering for the wheat fields, the lack of which was causing uneasiness among the farmers with the temperature hovering close to the 0 mark last week.

Roland Zettle, who for the past three years tilled the James B. Spangler farm at Tusseyville, has rented the George Gentzel farm in Georges Valley and will move there in March, The latter farm contains 187 acres and is twice the size of the one where Mr. Zettle is at present located.

A. K. Dieffendeifer, of Cowan, is a candidate for associate judge in Union county. He announces that he favors Union county remaining in the "dry" or "white" column. Thomas Shively, of Limestone township, is also an aspirant for the nomination. He appeals to the Republican voters and is "mum" on the booze question.

Rebersburg has two young journalists who recently embarked in business for themselves. They are Messrs. Robert and Carl Bierly, sons of Hon. Willis R. Bierly, and a short time ago purchased the Reynoldsville (Jefferson county) Volunteer, which was on its last legs financially. The Bierlys have the ability and determination necessary to success.

The turning loose of 175 skunks by some practical joker, one night last week, thoroughly saturated the atmosphere about Allensville, Mifflin county, where a skunk farm is operated by Franklin Peicht. Amateur detectives who are working on the case aver that if the miscreant got within range of the kitties, they'll not need bloodhounds to track him to his lair.

A rumor to the effect that Dr. L. E. Wolfe, who a few months ago moved here from Quincy, is preparing to leave Centre Hall, is without foundation absolutely. Dr. Wolfe informs the Reporter that he lifted the deed to his property last week and that he is in Centre Hall to stay. The patronage he has so far received gives reason for the greatest encouragement. The Reporter is pleased to give this information in justice to Dr. Wolfe.

The new half dollars of the 1917 issue are quite dissimilar to the ones we have been accustomed to seeing. Instead of the familiar picture of Liberty on the date bearing side appears the outline of a woman's full form bearing blossoms of some sort in her arms. At one side of the woman is the rising sun and on the other the words "In God We Trust." On the reverse side of the coin a handsome Eagle disports in all his pristine glory with the words "E Pluribus Unum" sketched just under his beak.

Elwood Brooks of Pleasant Gap with six men has started lumbering activities on the extensive timber tract of Abram V. Miller. The tract extends from Pleasant Gap down to Gilltown and the product consists of cord wood, chemical wood and railroad ties, for all of which there is a pressing demand. Cognizant of this fact the State is beginning operations on their 4,000 acre tract, which was secured from the Gorden heirs several years ago. Charles Bilger has for sometime been busily engaged with a crew of approximately twenty men and more men are wanted. Knoflsinger has four men in his crew and G. W. Houser, the capable woodsman, is making good in his speciality of devastating the forest. The Greens Valley portable mill is running full time with an abundance of rush orders for sawed and bill stuff. They recently booked a handsome order from the P. R. R. Co. which will require ten teams to transport the product to the P. R. R. station at the Gap.

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THIS NEWSPAPER?

ENTENTE ALLIES' REPLY TO WILSON

Will Fight Till Aims in War Are Achieved.

BLOW GIVEN HOPE OF PEACE

Door Left Open For Further Moves. Wilson To Study Note Before Determining Upon Next Step.

THE RESULT OF PRESIDENT'S INQUIRIES.

President Wilson has now heard from all fourteen of the belligerents. Here is the result:

First—Both sides say they will associate themselves with President Wilson, after this war ends, in an effort to insure future peace.

Second—Germany and her three allies proposed a method for stating conditions of peace, namely, through a conference of delegates of the belligerents meeting on neutral soil.

Third—England and her nine allies state the objects they seek by continuing the war.

THE ALLIES' PEACE TERMS.

Here are the Entente terms of peace:

1. Restoration of Belgium, Serbia and Montenegro with indemnities.
2. Evacuation of occupied France, Russia and Roumania with reparation.
3. The reorganization of Europe with guarantees for a stable regime secured against unjustified attack.
4. Restitution of territories wrested from the Allies in the past, liberation of Italians, Slavs and Roumanians from foreign domination. (This may be intended to mean the return of Alsace-Loraine.)
5. Enfranchisement of populations from bloody tyranny of the Turks.
6. The expulsion of Turkey from Europe.
7. The freedom of Poland.
8. Liberation of Europe from Prusian militarism without the extermination of the German peoples or their political disappearance.

Washington.—The Entente reply to President Wilson's peace note is regarded in all quarters here as putting an early peace practically out of the question, but still leaving an open door for the President to make further efforts.

German diplomats regard the reply as even more severe than they expected. They declared it evidence that the enemies of Germany are waging a war of conquest to crush and dismember her. The Germanic allies, they declared, never would agree to any such terms.

TEXT OF ENTENTE ALLIES' REPLY.

Washington. — The following is a translation of the reply of the Entente Allies to President Wilson's recent note to the belligerent nations, in which the President suggested that they state the objects for which they were fighting:

The Allied Governments have received the note which was delivered to them in the name of the Government of the United States on the nineteenth of December, 1916. They have studied it with the care imposed upon them both by the exact realization which they have of the gravity of the hour and by the sincere friendship which attaches them to the American people.

In general way they wish to declare that they pay tribute to the elevation of the sentiment with which the American note is inspired and that they associate themselves with all their hopes with the project for the creation of a league of nations to insure peace and justice throughout the world. They recognize all the advantages for the cause of humanity and civilization which the institution of international agreements destined to avoid violent conflicts between nations would prevent; agreements which must imply the sanctions necessary to insure their execution and thus to prevent an apparent security from only facilitating new aggressions. But a discussion of future arrangements destined to insure an enduring peace presupposes a satisfactory settlement of the actual conflict; the Allies have as profound a desire as the Government of the United States to terminate as soon as possible a war for which the Central Empires are responsible and which inflicts such cruel sufferings upon humanity. But they believe that it is impossible at the present moment to attain a peace which will assure them reparation, restitution and such guarantees to which they are entitled by the aggression for which the responsibility rests with the Central Powers and of which the principle itself tended to ruin the security of Europe; a peace which would on the other hand permit the establishment of the future of European nations on a solid basis. The Allied nations are conscious that they are not fighting for selfish interests, but above all to safeguard the independence of peoples, of right and of humanity.

The Allies are fully aware of the losses and suffering which the war causes to neutrals as well as to the belligerents, and they deplore them; but they do not hold themselves responsible for them, having in no way either willed or provoked this war, and they strive to reduce these damages in the measure compatible with the inexorable exigencies of their defense against the violence and the wiles of the enemy.

It is with satisfaction, therefore, that they take note of the declaration that the American communication is in nowise associated in its origin with that of the Central Powers, transmitted on the 18th of December by the Government of the United States. They did not doubt, moreover, the resolution of that Government to avoid even the appearance of a support, even moral, of the authors responsible for the war.

The Allied Governments believe that they must protest in the most friendly but in the most specific manner against the assimilation established in the American note between the two groups of belligerents; this assimilation, based upon public declarations by the Central Powers, is in direct opposition to the evidence, both as regards responsibility for the past and as concerns guarantees for the future; President Wilson in mentioning it certainly had no intention of associating himself with it.

If there is an historical fact established at the present date, it is the willful aggression of Germany and Austro-Hungary to insure their hegemony over Europe and their economic domination over the world. Germany proved by her declaration of war, by the immediate violation of Belgium and Luxemburg and by her manner of conducting the war, her simulating contempt for all principles of humanity and all respect for small states; as the conflict developed the attitude of the Central Powers and their allies has been a continual defiance of humanity and civilization. It is necessary to recall the horrors which accompanied the invasion of Belgium and of Serbia, the atrocious regime imposed upon the invaded countries, the massacre of hundreds of thousands of inoffensive Armenians, the barbarities perpetrated against the populations of Syria, the raids of Zeppelins on open towns, the destruction by submarines of passenger steamers and of merchantmen even under neutral flags, the cruel treatment inflicted upon prisoners of war, the jurisdical murders of Miss Cavel, of Captain Fryatt, the deportation and the reduction to slavery of civil populations, et cetera? The execution of such a series of crimes perpetrated without any regard for universal reprobation fully explains to President Wilson the protest of the Allies.

They consider that the note which they sent to the United States in reply to the German note will be a response to the questions put by the American Government, and, according to the exact words of the latter, constitute "a public declaration as to the conditions upon which the war could be terminated."

President Wilson desires more: he desires that the belligerent powers openly affirm the objects which they seek by continuing the war; the Allies experience no difficulty in replying to this request. Their objects in the war are well known; they have been formulated on many occasions by the chiefs of their divers governments. Their objects in the war will not be made known in detail with all the equitable compensations and indemnities for damages suffered until the hour of negotiations. But the civilized world knows that they imply in all necessity and in the first instance the restoration of Belgium, of Serbia and of Montenegro and the indemnities which are due them; the evacuation of the invaded territories of France, of Russia and of Roumania, with just reparation; the reorganization of Europe guaranteed by a stable regime and founded as much upon respect of nationalities and full security and liberty of economic development, which all nations, great or small, possess, as upon territorial conventions and international agreements suitable to guarantee territorial and maritime frontiers against unjustified attacks; the restitution of provinces or territories wrested in the past from the Allies by force or against the will of their populations; the liberation of Italians, of Slavs, of Roumanians and of Tcheco Slovaques from foreign domination; the enfranchisement of populations subject to the bloody tyranny of the Turks; the expulsion from Europe of the Ottoman Empire decidedly (* * *) to western civilization. The intentions of His Majesty the Emperor of Russia regarding Poland have been clearly indicated in the proclamation which he has just addressed to his armies. It goes without saying that if the Allies wish to liberate Europe from the brutal covetousness of Prussian militarism, it never has been their design, as has been alleged to encompass the extermination of the German peoples and their political disappearance. That which they desire above all is to insure a peace upon the principles of liberty and justice, upon the inviolable fidelity to international obligation with which the Government of the United States has never ceased to be inspired.

United in the pursuits of this supreme object the Allies are determined, individually and collectively, to act with all their power and to consent to all sacrifices to bring to a victorious close a conflict upon which they are convinced not only their own safety and prosperity depends, but also the future of civilization itself.

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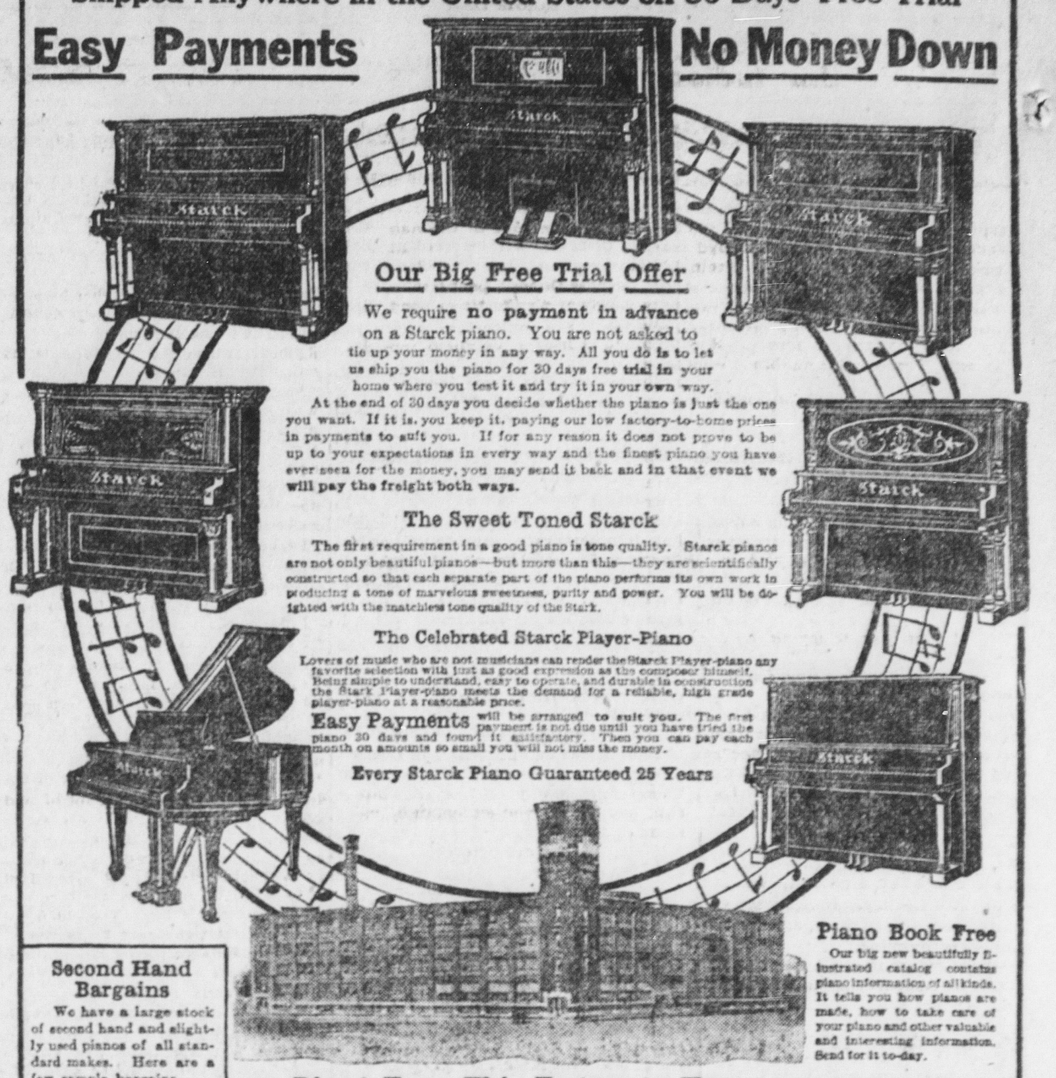

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The pupils of the Bethlehem public school during the past month sold 17,471 Red Cross seals.

The South Bethlehem National Bank has increased its capital from $50,000 to $200,000.

Z. T. Smith has been elected president of the Young Men's Christian Association of Norristown.

George Bretz, forty-six years old, of Shenandoah, a railroader for twenty-nine years, fell under a trip of cars and was crushed to death.

Mildred Elizabeth Rudy, aged six years, of Harrisburg, died from scalds, when she spilled boiling water over herself.

The Harrisburg Firemen's Union has asked the State to reimburse the city for two firehouses which will be razed to make way for Capitol Extension.

Mrs. Jane A. Kern, of Slatington, dropped dead just after reaching home from attending the funeral of a friend at Neffsville.

John Palermo was sentenced to pay costs, $50 fine and to undergo six months in jail for illegal liquor selling in Ambler.

Two horses belonging to Joseph Taggart, of Norristown, were killed by a State veterinarian because suffering with glanders. They came from a carload of Western horses.

Alexander Comfort died in the Carlisle Hospital, following a short illness of pneumonia. He was one of the earliest members of the Empire Hook and Ladder Company.

Harrisburg retail milk dealers decided to sell milk at eight cents a quart despite the fact that the wholesalers are planning to increase the price from 18 to 20 cents a gallon. The retailers hope for a 20-cent rate in winter and 16-cent rate in summer.

Caught between the tank and shaft wheel at the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Company's water shaft, Tamaqua, Frank Salinko, was crushed to death, and Joseph Galinsky seriously injured.

Injuries suffered in a fall on the ice in her yard several days ago, caused the death Tuesday night of Mrs. John Jones, of Cains. She was thirty-eight years of age.

Amos Hassler, the Lebanon county banker, convicted of making false entries last year and sentenced to from two or three years, filed a petition for pardon.

At a meeting of the Women's Gettysburg College League in Harrisburg plans were outlined for a campaign to raise money for the erection of a Y. W. C. A. building at the college of Gettysburg.

George Bretz, of Mahanoy City, aged forty-two years, the father of five children, had both legs severed when he fell between cars on the Reading lines. Death followed in a half hour, as he was being rushed to the hospital.

After lying over five years on a cot in the State Hospital at Fountain Springs, Anthony Valentine, aged fifty-four, is dead. He had his back broken at the Lost Creek Mine, January 1, 1912.

Attempting to jump from an auto truck which he thought would skid over a seventy-foot embankment, Ervin Yoder, thirty years old, of Fountain Springs, was caught under the wheels and crushed to death. Seven children are made orphans by his death.

Harry Seipe, of Lehighton, who collected $88 for the firemen's parade last summer, and failed to turn it over, was sentenced by Judge Barber to six months' imprisonment. The jail sentence was later suspended to give him an opportunity to pay the money back.

Mizpah Lerch, aged twenty-two, of Penbrook, was found guilty of malicious injury to railroads by a Dauphin county jury, after eighteen hours' deliberation. Lerch was convicted of piling boards on the Penbrook line of the Harrisburg Railway Company during the trolley strike at Harrisburg.

Lewis Oxley, of Pottsville, a veteran of the Civil War, who escaped death on many battlefields, died from the effect of a fall down a flight of stairs, in which he broke an arm and was severely bruised. Oxley was a member of the Eighty-first Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was wounded many times. He lost his left hand when an exploding shell ripped it off.

Aaron Linder, twelve years old, of Reading, sustained a broken leg and other injuries, while trying to find out the contents of a dynamite cartridge. Linder and two other lads found the cartridge and struck it with a hammer. There was a terrific explosion, and Linder's companions were badly burned about the face and body.

A petition signed by several hundred people of Catasauqua has been sent to the Public Service Commission, protesting against the establishment of a municipal electric light plant in Catasauqua, as voted at a special election. The protestants declare that such a plant could be run only at a loss, estimated at ten thousand dollars a year.

Roy Bixler, aged twenty-five, of Mt. Holly Springs, was injured at the plant of the Valley Sand Company. Bixler was operating a roller to crush the sand and tried to push some stones out with a forked stick. His hand caught in the fork of the stick and was drawn into the machine, his arm being mangled and torn off at the shoulder before the machinery could be shut down.

John Timko, a member of the Clover Hose Company, Mahanoy City, is dying at the State Hospital at Fountain Springs of injuries received, when a test of a new life-saving net was being made. Several members had jumped from the second story of the hose house into the net successfully. Several firemen moved the net and Timko, failing to notice this, made a leap, striking on his back on the pavement below.

The historic old Presbyterian church—used at the time of the Battle of Gettysburg as an army hospital—is undergoing repairs and renovation which include the removal of the pews on which the cots, bearing the wounded, were placed for days after the fight of July, 1863. It was in this church that Abraham Lincoln attended service after the dedication of the Soldiers' National Cemetery and the pew he occupied is the only one being preserved in the main auditorium.

An explosion of gas wrecked the Ward apartment block at Altoona and perhaps fatally burned Mrs. George Sleeman, aged twenty-six, who was the innocent cause of the accident. She had gone into a second floor room which had not been piped for gas and struck a match. Instantly there was a terrific explosion and the entire corner of the building, three tiers of brick thick, was hurled into the street. Mrs. Sleeman's clothing was ignited, but rescuers saved her from burning to death.

THE QUARTERBREED

A Tale of Adventures on An Indian Reservation

By Robert Ames Bennet

The two preceding installments described the rescue of a quarter-breed girl and two men from an Indian attack at the edge of Lakotah Indian reservation, by Capt. Floyd Hardy, U. S. A., the new Indian agent. The rescued ones are Reginald Vandervyn, nephew of United States Senator Clemmer and agency clerk, Jacques Dupont, post trader, and his daughter, Marie. Vandervyn tells Hardy of disaffection among the Indians, of the murder of Nogen, the last agent, and of his having been promised the agency. Hardy calls a council of chiefs at the agency. Redbear, the halfbreed interpreter, brings his sister, Oinna, to the valley. Captain Hardy accepts a dinner invitation from the Du-ponts and learns something which amazes him and causes all sorts of trouble.

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The hostess signed her Indian boy to take the box in to the parlor, together with the ice bucket, in which was still left a bottle of champagne. As he obeyed, she bowed her dismissal of the guests from the table.

"I shall now permit myself to be fatigued," she said. "Good evening, Mr. Vandervyn. Good evening, Captain Hardy."

Vandervyn nodded, and followed Dupont with a nonchalant bearing that drew attention from the slight uncertainty of his step. Hardy lingered for a word of appreciation: "This has been a most enjoyable evening, Miss Dupont."

She chose to disregard the sincerity and warmth behind the formal phrase. "You are very kind, Captain Hardy. But pray do not overestimate. Where all else is off-color, three-quarters white seems dazzling."

"Believe me, it is not a question of contrast or comparison," he protested. "Not even in New York or Washington—"

"You flatter me. And now, as I am tired—"

He bowed and left her, concealing the sting of her polite rebuff under his grave smile. The Indian boy, who was standing at the parlor door, closed it behind the guest at a sign from Marie.

Dupont took the drink that he had poured out for himself and undertook the perilous operation of opening the champagne. He fumbled the bottle and would have dropped it had not Vandervyn jumped up and taken it from him. Thrust aside by the younger man, he lurched and sat down in a chair near Hardy.

"Shelipp'ry—ben in ice," he explained with solemn emphasis. He threw back his head and burst into an uproarious laugh. "Shelipp'ry—like that gobe-mouche Redbear. Him trying to smooth me down—zif that'd give him a show with M'rie! An' me the squarest trader in the U. S.! Why, lash time I got goods on credit, they shent me a skeshule to lisht my li'bil'ties, 'n' I jush took my pen in han' 'n' wrote 'cross tha' shere lish, 'I don't owe no man nushing,'" He again drew back his head and let out a hoarse laugh.

"Poor grammar, but rich rhetoric, Jake," remarked Vandervyn as he filled the champagne glasses. "You told me they gave you the credit you asked for."

"I got the goods," said Dupont, pulling himself together and sobering his tongue with an effort. "Nothing like being on the square. That's what makes me sore at them there chiefs, Cap. Won't let me help out the bucks and squaws what's aching for work—good pay in trade goods, and us taking all risks on the ore smelting out N. G. What'll the tribe do after they git their last issue next spring? That's what I'd like to know."

"Yes, captain," said Vandervyn. "Next spring will come the last issue of goods that is provided for in the government treaty with this tribe. They will be in a bad fix if something is not done to get them used to white ways."

"How about a new treaty, to partition the reservation and give land in severalty to each head of a family?" suggested Hardy.

"That would take a long time to bring about, and meantime the young bucks should be taught to work. Why wouldn't it be a good idea for us to take charge of the mine—pay all who want to work at fair wages, and take the risk of getting our money back out of the ore shipments?"

As Vandervyn made the suggestion, he smiled ingenuously, and his handsome, flushed face shone with philanthropic enthusiasm. Hardy's face lighted with a responsive glow. He smiled into the boyish blue eyes.

"The proposal does you credit," he responded. "You may count on me to contribute my share."

"You will, will you, Cap?" exclaimed Dupont. He reached out his thick-fingered hand. "You're in, hey? Put it there, old pard! Just you make them damn ki-yi-s savvy they've got to hustle for what we give 'em, like Nogen done, and we'll round up fifty thousand apiece before snow flies."

"What's that?" demanded Hardy, instantly stiffening to stern rigidity.

He failed to catch the furious glance from Vandervyn that sent their half-fuddled host lurching over to the whisky bottle. When he did turn, the chief clerk met his hard glance with a knowing wink and a chuckling com-[illegible] "Stiffled!"

Hardy did not smile. "Explain," he ordered.

"Oh—you mean Jake's pipe dream that this low-grade stuff may some time turn into a streak of solid gold. But of course you wouldn't stand for the three of us dividing up the proceeds, even if it did turn out a bonanza?"

"Certainly not."

"Your idea would be to give all the profits to the tribe, even if we had bought the ore and taken the risk of its turning out worthless?"

"I am the acting agent, not a trader."

"Nom'chien!" muttered Dupont. "That ain't no way to treat a white man, Cap. Won't you let 'em trade me no more ore?"

"I shall investigate before I decide," said Hardy, and he rose to leave. "Good evening. Good evening, Mr. Vandervyn."

He went out. Dupont gaped after him, and grunted incredulously: "Fifty thousand—made it fifty thousand, and he didn't jump at it!"

"Told you so," snapped Vandervyn. "But we'll fix him yet—two more cards up our sleeve. If one fails to take the trick, we'll play the other. We're not going to be bluffed out at this stage of the game."

Dupont caught at the whisky bottle with a shaking hand. "No, by Gar," he protested. "We don't play that other card, Mr. Van. I quit first."

"Oh, well," replied Vandervyn, "if you're going to throw down, I shall not try to play it alone. But you're in on the next play."

Dupont grunted, and poured himself a full glass of whisky.

CHAPTER V.

By-Play.

Sunrise found Vandervyn riding down the valley on his nimble-footed pinto. He left the road and cantered across into the bend where Redbear had pointed out his new house to Hardy. When Vandervyn rode up, Redbear was shoveling clay upon the uncovered brush thatch at one corner of the roof. The halfbreed did not stop work until his visitor drew rein almost within arm's reach. Vandervyn met his civil greeting with a cynical smile.

"So you've builded you a home, Charlie. How's your sister Winna? That's the name, isn't it?"

"No, we say it O-ee-nah. The school people made her get up at four. I told her to sleep all day, if she liked."

"Come up the creek. I want to tell you something," replied Vandervyn. When they had gone beyond earshot of the cabin, he stopped his pony and faced the uneasy halfbreed with a look of sympathetic concern. "Charlie, it's all up."

Redbear's face turned a mottled gray. "All—all up?" he gasped.

"Amounts to the same thing," answered Vandervyn. "We sounded him last night. He won't sit in to the game—the board-backed fool! No chance

"It's Up to Us to Bluff Him or Throw Down."

to deal with him, and you know what that means. Next thing, he'll have it all out of the chiefs—the mine—everything."

"No, no, Mr. Van! He can't find out. They don't know about what you and me— Nobody saw us—nobody. If there'd been a fresh track anywhere inside a quarter-mile, I couldn't have missed it."

Vandervyn shrugged. "I'm not so sure of that. You are not a full-blood tracker. But what if that is covered? It's bad enough. As soon as he finds out about the mine, he will kick the whole bunch of us off the reservation. That's the kind of fool he is."

"He can't put me off. I'm a member of the tribe."

"Yes, and Jake is a member by marriage. Lots of good that will do you both—in the guardhouse."

Redbear cringed at the word. "But my sister— He won't put me in."

"Wait and see when he finds out how things have been going here. Let him find out anything against you, and it's Charlie in the jug, with his job gone glimmering."

The halfbreed looked up, his eyes desperate, his face set in the grin of a cornered rat. He muttered a curse.

"That's it, boy!" encouraged Vandervyn. "Don't lay down. We're with you. But remember, we've got to make a bluff. It's up to us to bluff him off, or throw down."

"I don't understand you, Mr. Van."

"Here it is, then. He doesn't know a word of Lakotah. The tribe doesn't know English. You are the interpreter. Get that?"

Redbear shook his head. "No, I don't."

"Yes, you do, Charlie. We've already told Hardy that there is a lot of bad blood stirred up. It will be easy to translate the talk of the chiefs that way. You can start in by telling them how he pacified the Moros. He killed nearly as many of them as there are members of this tribe. The chiefs he put in jail. All the rest he moved to another island—you can say, to another reservation."

"But if that is a lie—"

"It isn't. It's exactly what happened. The Moro head chief was kept in jail until he was hung. Be sure to tell that to old Thunderbolt. If it fails to warm him—"

"Hoganny-hunk!" gasped Redbear. "They once put him in jail for a week. If I tell him, it will make him fighting mad."

"That's what we want. I'll post you to interpret what he says, in a way that will get Hardy's goat. No man has nerve to stand up to a whole tribe. He will have to quit. Then the job comes to me. You know what that means."

"You promised me a full share."

"Yes, and that means a third of the net proceeds, now that Nogen is out of the way. Only, remember, you get nothing—none of us gets a cent more out of it—if Hardy stays. It's up to you now, Charlie. You turn the trick and get your share; or you fall down, lose share and job, and go to the guardhouse—on your way to the federal penitentiary. Which is it to be?"

Redbear's ratlike grin had changed to the grimace of a rabid coyote. "Curse him!" he snarled. "I'll make him run clean to town."

"Good boy!" praised Vandervyn. "Had your breakfast? Yes? Then trot up to the agency and pass the time of day to the chiefs as they come in. It will help things along to post them beforehand. Don't forget that Hardy is a cold-hearted army martinet who despises Indians. He is planning to stop all issue goods, and intends to punish the chiefs for the killing of Nogen. But if he leaves the reservation, I become the agent. I will make no trouble over Nogen, and will see that the government keeps giving issue goods to the tribe for a long time. That's the talk. Now trot along and get them screwed up."

"Oinna?" said Redbear.

"Don't waste time going back," replied Vandervyn. "I'll stop and tell your sister not to expect you home until after the council. Get busy—Wait. We can work in the police. Tell them they are ordered to wait at the guardhouse until the council is under way. They are then to march around and post themselves behind Hardy, fully armed. If the chiefs get angry, they are to close up around Hardy. Are you on?"

Redbear responded with an eager nod, and started off at a jog trot. Vandervyn smiled, turned his pony about, and rode back to the cabin. Without dismounting, he reached down and knocked, the door opened a scant inch and Oinna peeped out at the visitor.

"'Lo," he said in an indifferent tone. "I brought word to your brother that he was wanted at once. Told him I would let you know. He will not be home until after the council."

"Thank you, sir," murmured the girl.

"No trouble at all," replied Vandervyn. "You don't happen to have a drink of good water handy, do you?"

Instinctive hospitality overcame the girl's shyness. Her tall young figure and handsome face appeared as the door swung open.

"I boil the water. Do you like tea?" she asked in a flutelike voice.

"All right."

When she returned to the door, he was tightening his saddle girth. He kept her waiting several moments before he turned to take the cup of tea. The hand that held the cup was rough from hard work, but the girl's cheap calico dress was neat and clean and it covered a form as supple and erect as a reed. Unlike her brother, she had inherited only the good features of her parents. The blend of types apparent in her face was far from unpleasing.

She kept her soft brown eyes shyly downcast. Yet she must have watched him covertly through her long lashes. The tea was hot. He sipped it slowly and gloated on the girl's confusion. Unable longer to endure the strain, Oinna at last faltered in timid desperation: "You—you are Mr. Van. Charlie—he said you and he are partners."

"Partners?" repeated Vandervyn with a quick frown. "He said that?"

The girl shrank back. "Please, sir, he didn't mean anything wrong."

"What more did he say?"

"Nothing—only that. Please, it's only his way of talking."

"That's all right. Don't be afraid," Vandervyn reassured her with a quick change to smiling friendliness. "I am Charlie's best friend."

"Oh, thank you, thank you! He is my only brother. We have nobody else; only ourselves."

In her gratitude the girl forgot her self-consciousness. She raised her soft eyes and looked full at Vandervyn. He smiled and bent nearer. Though she blushed scarlet, she was unable to turn her gaze away from his ardent blue eyes.

"O-ee-nah," he drew out her name in the caressing tone that he would have used in fondling a pet dog.

She smiled even as she trembled. He came closer. Her gaze wavered and sank before the look in his glowing eyes, and she shrank back. He sought to put his arm about her, but she sprang clear with the agility of a startled doe.

"Oh, come now!" he urged. "Just a kiss. What's the harm of a kiss?"

The girl had retreated into the cabin. He blocked the door. There was no way for her to elude him if he wished to press his vantage.

"No, no, please!" she begged. "At school they told me only bad girls let men kiss them."

"Bah!" he scoffed. "What do those old fossils know about it?" His voice deepened to an alluring richness. "Come. I will not hurt you, Oinna. Give me a kiss."

"Let me—let me out!" she panted.

"Not unless you pay toll."

She looked around for some way of escape. There was none. She stared wildly out through the window and then looked at him over her shoulder. The sudden stillness of her pose checked and disquieted him. Was it possible that she had seen her brother returning?

He sprang outside and around to the corner of the cabin. A short distance away he saw Marie Dupont riding across from the road at a smart canter. He waved his hat to her and faced about just as Oinna was gliding from the door.

"Stop!" he called in a tone that forced the girl to obey. "Don't be silly, Oinna. You have my word for it I meant no harm. If you run now, Miss Dupont will think we have been doing something wrong."

"Oh, I don't want her to. She was good to me. Don't let her think bad of me," implored the girl.

"Then go in and get her a cup of tea. Quick—here she comes."

The girl disappeared as Marie's pony swung around the corner of the cabin. Vandervyn stooped to fiddle with his stirrup leather. He straightened, and looked over his pony's back. Marie had pulled up a few feet away, and was staring past him toward the door of the cabin, her cheeks ablaze and her eyes flashing with anger.

"Hello!" he exclaimed, glancing over his shoulder with well-feigned surprise. "What's the matter?"

"You ask that?" she cried. "I met Charlie half way to the agency. He said you were riding out of the valley."

"Yes. Stopped here to get a drink from his sister. They have only creek water. I've had to wait while she boiled some for tea. But it was a lucky delay—you're here. You'll ride with me?"

"I wish to speak to that girl," replied Marie.

"Going to hire her for a kitchen maid?" he asked, and he called over his shoulder in a rough tone: "Hurry up in there. You're keeping Miss Dupont waiting."

"You should not speak that way to Oinna. She is not a dog," reproved Marie. "See; you have frightened her— It's all right, Oinna. Mr. Van didn't mean to be cross."

The girl had stopped in the doorway, her eyes timidly downcast. Without looking up, she came around to Marie and offered her the cup of lukewarm tea that she had brought in obedience to Vandervyn's command. Marie took a sip and paused to peer down into the dark brew.

"Merci!" she cried. "It is half sugar."

"You were good to me," naively explained Oinna.

Marie laughed and handed back the offering.

"You child! Drink it yourself. I can guess how few sweets you've had at school. Come on, Reggie."

Vandervyn mounted, and their ponies started off on a lope. The young man kept his eyes to the front. But Marie soon glanced about.

"Look!" she said.

He turned and saw Oinna with the big granite-ware cup to her uptilted lips, draining the moist sugar from the bottom. The action was laughably childish, but the girl's attitude was the perfection of grace. Marie caught the look that flitted across Vandervyn's face, and her eyes flashed.

"So I was right!" she exclaimed. "You were flirting with her."

"I—flirting with her?" he wonderingly queried, and he turned sideways in his saddle, to stare wide-eyed at his companion, from the tip of her dainty riding boot up to the feather felt hat on her coal-black hair.

Under that prolonged scrutiny the scarlet of the girl's anger changed to rose, and her eyes sank as coyly as had Oinna's. He smiled. The girl was good to look upon.

Mid-morning was past when they walked their ponies up the slope of the terrace. The bare level, back of the warehouse, was dotted with groups of stolid, half-naked Indians.

"Look!" exclaimed the girl.

"What is it?" he asked.

"Don't you see? There is not a woman or child among them. Let us go and find out what Pere thinks of it."

CHAPTER VI.

Thunderbolt.

But Dupont was not at home. When they failed to find him either in the store or the living rooms, Marie stepped to the door for another look at the Indians, and then calmly went in to prepare a noon dinner.

Vandervyn sauntered over to the office. On the way back he observed Redbear, out back of the warehouse, drifting unobtrusively from one group of Indians to another. Hardy was at his desk in the office, intent on the government treaty with the tribe.

At noon, as the head chief of the tribe had not yet arrived, Hardy and Vandervyn started to go for their midday meal. As they rounded Hardy's cabin, they were overtaken by Dupont, who came from the direction of the stable. His face was as stolid as the faces of the chiefs and headmen among whom he had passed.

"Well, Jake, what's the good word?" inquired Vandervyn.

The trader gloomily shook his head. "Ain't none, Mr. Van. No women, no children, no old men—just bucks. No trading— I been over to the p'leece camp. Ponies all in; tepees down. They're gitting ready to slip down creek."

"Do you mean they expect trouble?" asked Hardy.

"Well, it kind of looks that way," answered Dupont.

"Explain," ordered Hardy.

"You remember I told you there was a lot of bad blood stirred up. It all turns on whether Thunderbolt feels the same— That's old Ti-owa-konza, the head chief. If he's feeling bad, we'd better look out."

"I am confident there will be no trouble," said Hardy. "We have only to find out the cause of the ill feeling and remove it."

"If it can be removed," qualified Vandervyn.

"Better figure on letting the warehouse go and piling into my place, Cap, if they start to ki-yi," suggested Dupont. "I'll show you how I got it all loopholed. Water inside and a lot of grub and ammunition—we can hold it ag'in the whole tribe, if the p'leece don't go back on us."

"They will not, nor will there be any outbreak," insisted Hardy. "Do not needlessly alarm your daughter."

"Can't scare her," grunted Dupont.

They were now almost at the house porch. Marie appeared in the doorway, aglow with animation.

"Good day, Captain Hardy. I fear we had breakfast too early for you. Pere, you look sober as an owl. You can't be afraid of an outbreak. What if they do turn loose? I have everything ready—all the loopholes opened and the meat brought in from the ice-house. It will keep in the cellar."

Hardy followed the others into the parlor, and looked at the slots cut through the wallpaper to expose the loopholes, from which the chinks had been removed.

"Miss Dupont," he said, "you are a very brave young lady."

"Yes, it took courage to cut my wallpaper," she replied.

"And all for nothing, I feel sure," he declared.

"Well, it's best to be ready, in case," muttered Dupont.

The girl's eyes sparkled. "I wouldn't mind a day or two of fighting. What fun it must have been in the old days!"

"Fun?" exclaimed Vandervyn.

"I have no doubt we could defend the house," remarked Hardy. "We could hold out until the arrival of troops. But there will be no uprising, no trouble."

"Oh, captain!" protested Marie.

They passed on into the dining room, where the silent Indian boy at once served dinner. It was a plain family meal. But the china and plated ware were artistic, the table linen was clean, and the food very well cooked.

Dupont was still gormandizing when Redbear came with the news that Ti-owa-konza had at last reached the agency. The halfbreed looked so worried that Vandervyn rose from the table as quickly as Hardy. Dupont paused with a slice of pumpkin pie upraised in his hand.

"What's the rumpus, Charlie?" he asked. "Old Thunderbolt ain't gone on the warpath, has he?"

"No, he looks quiet now. But one of the headmen told me he said he would wipe out the agency if the new agent didn't do what he wanted."

Dupont muttered one of the two oaths ever ready on his tongue: "Nom d'un chien! Cap, you sure ain't going to risk all our scalps by bucking his game?"

"I shall see what he wants, and then do what I consider right," replied Hardy. "Miss Dupont, I ask you to stay close indoors. May I ask you to have your Indian boy take my mare down to Redbear's sister, with orders for her to escape if she hears any firing? Mr. Vandervyn, you may remain here or join myself and Redbear, as you prefer."

"I'll go along with you, captain. You may have to fight your way back here."

Hardy nodded in approbation of the spirited reply, bowed to Marie, and started for the agency buildings with a step that was brisk yet dignified. The Indians had assembled for the council in a semicircle, three rows deep, facing the rear of the warehouse. Hardy went first to his cabin, where he "broke" his rifle and put a piece of the mechanism into his pocket.

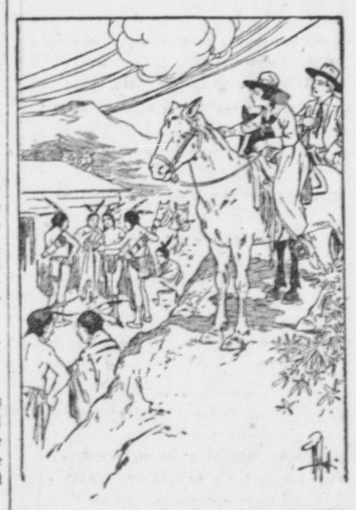
"There shall be no display of weapons on our part," he ordered. "You will not take your rifles. At close quarters your revolvers will be more effective. Carry them concealed."

"We will put on coats," said Vandervyn. "Come to my cabin."

"Meet me at the office," directed Hardy, and he walked on ahead, cool and resolute.

The others soon rejoined him, Redbear in an old shooting jacket, and Vandervyn in a frock coat and tile, to Hardy reminiscent of smart society, but to the Indians emblematic of pale-face dignity. When the little party came around the end of the warehouse to take up their position before the silently awaiting assembly, the covert glances of the many beadlike eyes first turned upon the chief clerk. Soon, however, they shifted to the erect military figure of the new agent, and remained fixed.

The Indian police, fully armed, started to file out of the guardhouse. Hardy waved them back, and seated himself on the chair that Redbear had brought



The Bare Level Was Dotted With Stolid, Half-Naked Indians.

from the office. With a calm, direct gaze, Hardy studied the appearance of the triple row of Indians. To an inexperienced eye they could not have appeared more peaceably disposed. But Hardy's keen eyes noted that the blankets of some of the men in the rear were hunched out over well-filled quivers of arrows. Here and there on the ground beside the subchiefs who formed the front row a muzzle of a rifle thrust from under the outspread blanket ends.

Hardy at last fixed his gaze on Thunderbolt, who sat in the center of the row of subchiefs, and after a deliberative silence that accorded with the Indian idea of etiquette, spoke to Redbear: "Tell them that I am pleased to meet in council with the head chief and subchiefs and headmen of the tribe. I am here to find out what has troubled the tribe and to see whatever is wrong shall be made right."

Redbear glanced at Vandervyn, who stood behind Hardy. The eyes of the chief clerk narrowed, and his small, red mouth straightened. Redbear drew in a quick breath, faced about, and addressed the assembly. What he said took several moments to deliver.

The hush that followed seemed to quiver with suppressed hostility, though the faces of the Indians remained stolid. At last old Ti-owa-konza ventured a response. His tone and bearing were mild. He first spoke soothingly to his fellow councilors, and then addressed Hardy in dignified remonstrance. When he sat down again, Redbear stood silent, uneasy and vacillating.

"Interpret," ordered Hardy.

"I—I—it isn't easy. You mightn't like it," mumbled the halfbreed.

"Never mind that. Proceed."

"Well, it's not easy to get it just the same," hesitated Redbear. He glanced at Vandervyn, licked his lips, and began:

"He says all this land belongs to the tribe; that the white man has no business here. He says that he is not sorry Mr. Nogen was killed, but he is sorry that you have come here. He says his people do not like the Long-knives, who used to kill them, and they do not want you for agent, because you are a chief of the Long-knives. He says they like Mr. Van, and they want him to be their agent."

How long do you think it will take Hardy to find out that he is being double-crossed by Vandervyn and Redbear? Will Marie help him—or do you think she is crooked too?

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Presbyterian.—Centre Hall, morning.

Methodist.—Sprucetown, morning; Centre Hall, afternoon; Spring Mills, evening.

Reformed.—Centre Hall, morning; Tusseyville, afternoon.

Lutheran.—Centre Hall, morning, communion; Union, afternoon, communion; Georges Valley, evening.

LOCALS

Pomona Grange meets in Centre Hall Thursday of next week—January 25th.

Mrs. C. G. Barnes is on a visit to relatives in New York City and Philadelphia.

Mrs. James Carner, of Hublersburg, spent a short time with her sister, Mrs. William Stiver, in this place, last week.

Mrs. John Stuart, of State College, is suffering from a light attack of grip at the home of her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Jacobs, in this place.

Miss Mary Love Campbell, a nurse from Philadelphia, is spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Elmer Campbell, at Linden Hall.

The sale advertised by Daniel Callahan on the Henry Potter farm, for March 6th, will be held at a later date in that month, in order to afford Mr. Callahan more time to get his stock in the pink of condition.

Clayton Musser, who operates the 300-acre farm of Dr. A. G. Lieb, on the Brushvalley road, was a caller at this office on Tuesday and enrolled as a Reporter subscriber. Mr. Musser will continue on the farm this year, despite rumors to the contrary.

The Bellefonte basket ball team with a squad of rooters, passed through town on Friday in an auto bus enroute to Lewistown where they were scheduled to play the Lewistown High school team that evening. Bellefonte was defeated by a 39 25 score.

Lester E. Baird, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Baird, of State College, is principal of a second grade High school in Buckingham, near Doylestown, Bucks county. He finds the people there very sociably inclined, and speaks well of the entire community.

It appears the injury sustained by Mrs. G. O. Benner was due directly to a fall on a polished portion of a walk gotten in that condition by boys and girls having a good time sliding. Attention to the danger resulting from these sliding places was called by this paper some time ago, and it would appear that it is high time to heed.

"One Girl's Experience" will be the attraction at the Garman Opera House, on Saturday, January 20th. A story of the dangers that beset poor girls who work for their livelihood. Presented by a carefully selected company, with a big scenic production. Every act gripping in the extreme, with a finish that sends one home happy and glad they saw "One Girl's Experience." Prices 25, 35, 50, 75 cents.

Not in a long time were there as many cooing lads and lassies in a public gathering as there were in Grange Arcadia on the occasion of the presentation of the home talent plays by the young people of the Methodist church. All local points were represented, and all were fair and handsome. Ministers who were present are already watching for opportunities to come in contact with the prospectives with the hope of making appointments to be at home or come to a given point to say words that mean so much.

The movement to further restrict the killing of bear and deer is heartily indorsed by the Reporter. The mobilizing of a large number of hunters and the stationing of the crack markmen immune to "buck" fever at well known crossings while the remainder virtually rake a vast territory is not giving game a reasonable chance to escape. It is known that prior to the closing of the game season the individual who kills is kept a secret—and why? The evading of the present law permitting the killing of but one deer and one bear in one season is an easy matter, and it is because the authorities feel that hunters are not nearly all on the square when gunning that the law will be drawn tighter. The limit of deer to be taken by one camp as well as the limit of one to the man will in a measure help to straighten out the crooks who please to call themselves sports.

Celebrates 70th Birthday.

The seventieth birthday anniversary of A. C. Ripka was quietly celebrated at his home in Centre Hall on Sunday, his three children, E. S. Ripka, B. W. Ripka, and Miss Grace Ripka, together with his six grandchildren, enjoying the day in a delightful manner, culminating in a grand dinner. Mr. Ripka carries his three score and ten years lightly and physically is superior to many men ten to twenty years his junior. He makes a regular hand on the farm in harvest and can do a hard day's work with no apparent fatigue.

Marriage Licenses.

Thomas G. Ryder, Tyrone
Della E. Cowher, Port Matilda

Elmer E. Dunlap, Osceola Mills
Alice Dinnick, Philipsburg

Orvis S. Rhine, Nittany
Jennie B. Baker, Nittany

William C. Aikey, Renovo
Laura T. Griffith, Curtin

No Booze for Dry States.

The supreme court has upheld the Webb-Kenyon law, prohibiting shipments of liquor from "wet" into "dry" territory, in a recent decision. The decision is declared second only in importance to the proposed constitutional amendment.

Notice, P. O. S. of A.

The next meeting of the local P. O. S. of A. will be held Thursday evening, January 25th, at which time the installation of officers will take place.

Celebrated 80th Birthday.

Joseph Hettinger of Boalsburg celebrated his 80th birthday anniversary last Thurday by giving a dinner to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Shutt, Joseph, Minnie, Mary and Wayne Shutt, Maud, Donald and Carl Williams, Della and Gilbert Isenberg, Sarah Gill, Elizabeth Smith and Ella Bailey. Mr. Hettinger is a veteran of the Civil war, a volunteer in the three months service. He is the only one of the first defenders who is left in the vicinity of Boalsburg. He is in the best of health for a man of his age.

Pine Grove Mills.

A. G. ARCHEY DEAD.

A. G. Archey died on Friday noon at his home in this place after four days illness with pneumonia. He had been in feeble health for some months, but was able to attend to his mercantile business. Alexander Gilbert Archey was a son of Gilbert and Elizabeth Archey and was born in Ferguson township, Sept. 25, 1857. He taught school at an early age, and later served two terms as Register of Centre county. Before engaging in business he was a farmer. His wife, one daughter, Elizabeth, and two sisters, Mrs. H. M. Snyder and Mrs. W. H. Mark, of Pine Grove Mills, survive. He was well known throughout the county and belonged to the Odd Fellows, Eagles and Red Men orders. He was laid to rest in the new cemetery on Monday morning, his pastor, Rev. L. V. Barber, being in charge of the services.

60 YEARS MARRIED.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Bowersox celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary, surrounded by the greater number of their thirteen children, 32 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. A grand dinner was part of the day's festivities The happy couple received many valuable gifts. Both are hale and hearty and their friends hope for many more anniversaries.

Linden Hall

Calvin Osman, of Glen Iron, spent Monday at this place.

The teacher's training class will meet on Saturday evening at the home of Miss Phoebe Potter.

Willis Houtz bought the Fortney Farm near Boalsburg recently and will move there this Spring.

Mrs Ellen Ross returned home Friday after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Samuel Gingerich, who is recovering from a long illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Swartz returned from their wedding trip on Saturday and spent the week end at the J. H. Ross home.

After a series of meetings in the Presbyterian church last week, at which Rev. Louis V. Barber was assisted by his father, Rev. Barber, from Bellville, twelve new members were taken into the church at the communion service on Sunday morning.

The Federal building to be erected in Tyrone will be located on Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street. The site has a frontage of one hundred feet on Pennsylvania avenue and extends one hundred and eighty-two feet along Eleventh street. Cost, $25,000.

The State-Centre electric company purchased all the supplies for the erection of their trunk line from Centre Hall to Millheim, as well as the material necessary for the building of its lines through the borough of Millheim from which municipality a franchise was recently obtained. The route over which the trunk line will run between here and Millheim has not yet been fully determined.

DEATHS.

Mrs. Catherine (Gephart) Fiedler, widow of Henry Fiedler, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Royer, at Madisonburg, on Friday noon, of old age, having past her eighty-third milestone. Funeral services were held Monday morning in the Evangelical church and burial made at Madisonbuag, Rev. Womelsdorf officiating. Four children—Mrs. Royer and Newton Fiedler, of Madisonburg, Isaiah, of New York, and Mrs. Edward Reber, of Vicksburg, survive. Also six sisters, namely: Mrs. William Scholl, of Centre Hall; Mrs. David Wagner, Lemont; Mrs. Harrison Kline, Bellefonte; Mrs. James Taylor, Mifflinburg; Mrs. N. J. Stover, of Kansas; Mrs. Elizabeth Wise, of Berwick.

Samuel Chambers Bathgate died at his home at Lemont last Wednesday morning of heart trouble and other complications. Though he had been ill for more than a year had been confined to bed only a week.

Deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bathgate and was born at Stormstown on February 23, 1850, making his age sixty-six years, ten months and seventeen days. When a young man he engaged in teaching school, a profession he followed with considerable success for thirty-four years. He was united in marriage to Miss Emma E. Shadle who survives with the following children: Mrs. Harry Roan, of State College; Mrs. Harry Copeland, of Philadelphia; Earl, of Butte, Mon.; Willis, on a farm near Lemont, Everett, Maude, Stella and Helen at home. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Agnes Rupert, of Thompsontown, who is also very ill.

Rev. L. V. Barber had charge of the funeral which was held at ten o'clock Saturday morning, burial made in Shiloh cemetery.

Mrs. Harriet Vonads, widow of George Vonads, died at the home of her son, Emanuel Vonads, near Woodward last Wednesday of diseases incident to old age, aged ninty-two years and two months. Deceased is survived by the son at whose home she died and two daughters, Mrs. Rebecca Barner, of Woodward, and Mrs. Fietta Grimm, of Mazeppa. Funeral was held in the Evangelical Association church at Woodward conducted by Rev. D. C. Carl, Saturday forenoon. Interment in the Union cemetery at Woodward.

BOALSBURG.

W. A. Murray spent Monday in Bellefonte.

Frank Fisher and son of Altoona spent a short time last week with the former's mother, Mrs. E. A. Fisher.

Messrs. Paul and David Noll of Linden Hall spent Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. Wm. Stover.

O. L. Mothersbaugh and A. W. Dale spent Thursday of last week at Bellefonte.

Mrs. F. W. Weber is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Rose, at Pine Grove.

Samuel Kaup of Altoona visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Kaup.

Miss Mollie Hoffer of State College is visiting at the O. L. Mothersbaugh home.

Miss Sarah J. Keller returned to her home after a short visit with relatives at Philadelphia and Lancaster.

Rev. S. C. Stover and wife and Misses Mary Reish and Nora Miller attended the funeral of Peter Corl at Pine Hall.

Mrs. F. E. Wieland and daughter Mildred of Linden Hall spent Saturday of last week at the James Ross home,

Services will be held in the Zion Lutheran church from January 23rd to 28th. These services will begin at 7.30 o'clock. The following ministers will preach:—January 23rd, Rev. S. C. Stover; January 24, Rev. N. L. Fleck, D. D.; January 25, W. H. Traub; January 28, Rev. D. S. Kurtz. Communion services will be held on Sunday morning, January 28.

Mrs. John Allen gave a party in honor of her daughter Leona's fifteenth birthday on Tuesday evening, January 9. Those present were: Carl Williams, Beryl Brouse, Cecil Harro, Paul Coxey, Mary Segner, Lester Brouse, Rachel Segner, Grant Kline, Myrtle Houtz, Roy Searson, Larua Isbler, John Thomas, Ruth Yarnell, William Osman, Carl Bohn, Rebekah Close, Albert Carper, Dorothy Lonberger, George Bohn, James Searson, Miranda Bohn, George Isbler, Paul Durner, Mrs. Durner and Mrs. Shutt. Also Leona's school teachers, Misses Margaretta Goheen and Ellen Freed. Everyone enjoyed the evening.

FRUITTOWN.

Quite a few people in this place are suffering with grip, among whom are Rev. Bradley and Mrs. W. A. Jordan.

Rush Dippery and William Bubb, who are employed at Burnham, spent Sunday at home,

Mrs. Myrtle Copenhaver is employed at the F. P. Bloray home.

Mrs. Ida Reesner and son Grover, of Reading, spent last week among relatives at this place.

MOST SHOPLIFTERS ARE MEN

Suits of Clothes and Even Rugs Often Stolen, According to Private Police Officer.

"There's one theory I want to explode," said the chief of a department store force in New York, "and that regards the idea popularly accepted that the modern shoplifter is a woman. Do you know that there are five men shoplifters and sneak thieves to every woman shoplifter? In the underworld these men are known as 'moll-buzzers,' because they 'buzz' around the 'mollies,' or store girls.

"The woman shoplifter isn't taking the chances she did formerly. Her method of stealing is pretty well known by this time. You see, it's impossible to watch every counter in the store. My method is to specialize on the counters which hold jewelry, leather goods, stockings, silks, gloves and even rugs. Can you imagine someone stealing a big rug? Well, lots are stolen.

"I have found out that most shoplifters coming under my thumb were victims of drugs. This is particularly true of the men. Exalted by the influence of the drug, they come in here and actually pick up things in full view of the salesgirl and walks off with them. Why, the other day a man tried to get away with a suit of clothes. Yes, sir, walked up to the suit counter, selected what he liked, picked it up and away he went. You should hear the wonderful and illuminating excuses once the thief is caught. Sometimes we laugh for hours to hear the manufactured tales."—Brooklyn Eagle.

GREEK WOMEN STILL DRUDGE

Modern Emancipation of the Sex Has Not Yet Arrived in That Country.

The position of women in modern Greek life is semioriental, to say the least. While the great ladies of Athens have an active social career, Greek women, generally speaking, have no individuality.

At parties the women generally sit apart, while in the country they are almost never to be found at table if guests are present, and upon them falls the greater portion of the labor of the household.

Following the plow, harvesting and work upon the roads are common employments for the Greek peasant woman. Unmarried, her parents and her brothers control her conduct, and a husband means merely a change of masters for whom she toils while he sits at ease.

An improvement, however, is gradually developing. The Greek, much more than some of his Balkan neighbors, has outgrown the notion that the sole occupation fit for a man is warfare. Through schools, endowed and under royal patronage; through other enterprises, and especially through the demands of modern business life, new avenues for employment and advancement are opening for women, and in another generation it is altogether likely that the women of Greece will be found with their sisters of the West, demanding as rights what they now regard as great privileges.—G. H. Moses in the National Geographic Magazine.

An Easier Job.

Harry Dickson tells of an old negro mammy who was kept from starvation by the white women who gave her occasional odd jobs to do. Mrs. Dickson, the writer's mother, had found some housework for the old negress, but after working a day or two Mandy said she must quit.

"I done have to go out collectin' for de missionary society," she explained.

"But I have work for you to do," said Mrs. Dickson, "and you need all the money you can get."

"I know," said the old mammy, "but I done haf to collect foh de missionary society."

"What do you get paid for collecting?" asked Mrs. Dickson.

"I don't get paid," said Mandy. "I only gets what I collects."—Green Book Magazine.

Textile Testing.

A machine for testing the wear of textiles has been brought to notice. The cloth is clamped in a rigid jaw, and passes over a rubber surface formed by dull blades set in a cylinder, the other end of the fabric being clamped to a roller arranged to give any desired tension by means of suspended weights. The cylinder—by electric motor if desired—is given one revolution forward and one backward alternately, a counter recording the two movements as one rub. The relative quality of different samples of cloth will be shown by giving each a certain number of rubs, perhaps two hundred, or comparison can be made with a standard sample that has had the required wear.

English Literary Superiority.

The superiority of the English novelist is herewith cheerfully conceded; though indeed one might wish it were not considered essential for us to admit it every morning on our knees. It must be noted that the reported prevalence of genius in Britain has latterly been so great as to startle one at times; even causing irreverent persons to wonder if the methods of diagnosis might conceivably be at fault. Britishers dedicated to posterity, usually very young Britishers, have blossomed in every publisher's list.—Henry Sydnor Harrison in the Atlantic Monthly.

THE MARKETS.

GRAIN

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Corn	1.00
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Two grades—for stewing and frying.

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FOR SALE—A bull calf, of Holstein breeding whose dam produced 75lbs. milk per day last winter.—JOHN SNAVELY, Spring Mills, Pa.

FOR SALE—TWO COLTS.—The undersigned offers for sale 2 colts, coming one year old. The animals are firstclass in every respect and will make heavy draft animals.—J. C. Goodhart, Centre Hall, Pa. Bell telephone.

For Winter Sewing

Sheeting, Pillow Tubing, Table Linen, Shirtings, Ginghams and Dress Ginghams.

Old-fashioned Calico for piecing.

Lot of New Queensware at 10c.

Heavy Hose—wool and cotton.

A few more Blankets.

Sunbury Bread.

Discontinued Giving Trade Tickets and will redeem all tickets with Premiums brought in before Jan. 31, 1917

Store closes every Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock.

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All of Kessler's Fine Men's and Ladies' Suits, Coats, Furnishings, Shoes, and all other Wearing Apparel Reduced from figures that were lower than average to begin with—Get That!

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All season long we have been selling Kessler clothes below the market, keeping our prices close to the old levels, in spite of the world wide advance in woolens, trimmings and making. Yet we are now reducing even those prices in accordance with our custom, in spite of the fact that most of the woolens are far higher now than when we bought them and many of them will not again be in Millheim before the war is over. In fact such a variety in this season of shooting and shortage is nothing short of phenomenal. And beyond that, there is the modeling and making, always individual always different, acheiving new angles in cut and new wrinkles in tailoring, the equal of the finest merchandise that ever came out of this town.

Better get busy today—waiting wont get you anything any better or as good! Just one word more—It is best to come early and take advantage of the wide variety.

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OR

Parke-Davis' Cold Cream

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Dr. Longwell's Syrup White Pine and Eucalyptus
Dr. Longwell's Syrup Honey and Glycerine.

THE CENTRE HALL PHARMACY

A Store You Like to Go to

SOLDIER BOYS HOME.

After Week's Train Ride Troops Arrive at Bellefonte Late Tuesday Night.—Boal Troop Feted Wednesday Evening.

Centre county's soldier lads—the Boalsburg Machine Gun Troop and Troop L, of Bellefonte—after six months' stay on the Mexican border, arrived home late Tuesday night. Troop L and horses detrained at Bellefonte where an enthusiastic crowd was on hand to welcome them home. Lieut. Boal's boys layed over at Oak Hall all night and on Wednesday morning were escorted to Boalsburg by a big delegation of its citizens, accompanied by the Boalsburg band. Strong mother love induced Lieut. Boal's mother, who is past seventy-seven years of age, to make the trip from Boalsburg to Oak Hall early Wednesday morning to greet her son. The horses were taken to Camp Boal and the boys, numbering about seventy, put in the day with loved ones, and in the evening at five o'clock were banqueted at Boal Hall, covers being laid for ninety-six. The hall was beautifully decorated with the national colors and the word "Welcome" stood forth with a meaning greater than ever. A number of speeches were made and music by the Boalsburg orchestra was a feature.

A train of thirteen cars conveyed the boys of Troop L, Boal Troop, and Troop B, of Tyrone, to their destinations, the trip from El Paso being made by way of Dallas, Texas; Little Rock, Ark.; Memphis, Tenn.; Louisville, Ky.; Columbus, O., and Pittsburgh.

B. G. E Install Officers.

The following officers were installed in the Centre Hall Castle on Friday evening:

Past Chief, S. H. Gross.
Noble Chief, E. M. Brown.
Vice Chief, B. E. Potter.
High Priest, G. A. Crawford.
Master of Records, D. M. Bradford.
Clerk of Exchecker, J. A. Martz.
Keeper of Exchecker, A. C. Ripka.
Venerable Hermit, John M. Rinee.
Sir Herald, B. E. Keller.
Ensign, Charles Crust.
Esquire, R. Keller.
Worthy Bard, C. E. Bradford.
Worthy Chamberlain, J. W. Stump.
First Guardsman, Chas. Stump.
2nd Guardsman, E. C. Lutz.
Representative to G. L., R. I. Smith.

Allison-Leitch.

Budd Allison, of State College, and Miss Annabelle Leitch, of Blanchard, were married in Bellefonte last Thursday.

Spring Mills.

Lloyd Smith, who has been sick for a week or two, is improving.

Mrs. H. I. Brian has been very ill with pleurisy.

R. G. Kennelly went back to Burnham to work on Saturday.

Mrs. Claude Haines of Rebersburg is spending some time at the T. M. Gramley home.

Edward Jamison and family spent Sunday at the T. B. Jamison home.

Sameul Stitzer bought a team of horses at the Rebersburg horse sale on Monday.

The Decker brothers bought the garage from the Lee Motor company. Mr. Hosterman of State College has rented and will operate the same.

Harry Ulrich has quit the condensary and gone to drive the Coburn oil wagon for the Atlantic Refining company.

Mrs. H. M. Allison is visiting her sons, Eugene and Clair, in Renovo for a week. Another little girl has been added to the Eugene Allison home making the third daughter.

The members of the Common Weal Club of the Y. W. C. A. attended the play in the Grange Arcadia at Centre Hall on Thursday evening and were very much pleased with it. It took three cars to convey them to Centre Hall. Those present were; Lola Ulrich, Marion Finkle, Mina Bowman, Miriam Long, Ethel Hettinger, Orpha Slagle, Florence Bartges, Katherine and Alta Sinkabine, Edna and Helen Neese, Carrie and Bertha Heckman. They were accompanied by Messrs. John Neese, Dean Braucht, Rufus Finkle, Mrs. H. S. Braucht and Mrs. C. P. Long.

The sudden death of J. S. Meyer on Monday was a shock to his many friends. Only a week previous he assisted in installing the officers in the Grange. He was a loyal member of the Spring Mills Grange, a member of the I. O. O. F. and a member of the Salem Reformed church. He took the initiative in establishing the Lecture Course at this place. In all these places he will be missed and his place will be hard to fill. The many friends of the family sympathize with them in their bereavement.

The Mifflinburg Telegraph tells of the success attained by three sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Leitzel, now of Rand, Union county, but formerly of Gregg township where the family lived. The young men, Paul, Roy H. and Samuel, are located in Chicago. The former holds a position with the Bell telephone company but soon expects to be admitted to practice law in the Windy City. The latter two are employes of the Chicago Tribune, in the press rooms.

LOCALS

Miss Grace Horner, of Tusseyville, spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Edward E. Bailey.

The Odd Fellows and their families will gather together in their annual social in Grange hall tonight (Thursday).

A detailed report of the boro finances for the year 1916 are in the hands of the printer and will appear in next week's issue of this paper.

I. V. Musser, of Mifflinburg, son-in law of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meyer, of Centre Hall, left for Columbus, Ohio, last week to consult a specialist. Mr. Musser has been in ill health for some time.

A baby boy came to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Reish, who tenant the Bradford farm at Old Fort, on Friday. Being the first-born in the family the parents are unusually happy.

Mrs. Irvin Stover, of Yeagertown, who has been spending the past several weeks with relatives in Boalsburg, visited at the John D. Lucas home on Saturday where she was joined by her husband, later returning to Yeagertown.

Centre Hall harbors a thief who is making a practice of lifting blankets from the hoods of standing automobiles, and it may be wise to keep an eye open in the direction of your car as it stands in town these cold nights. Recently George E. Heckman lost two blankets in this manner.

William Bailey, in full military dress, arrived in Centre Hall on Wednesday morning, after having remained on the cars at Oak Hall since ten o'clock the night before, together with the other members of the Boal Machine Gun Troop which had just arrived from El Paso, Texas.

Mrs. G. O. Benner, in returning home from a meeting of the W. C. T. U., on Saturday evening, fell on the icy sidewalk at Smith's store, fracturing her left arm. Mrs. Benner has been unfortunate in having both arms broken by falls on the ice, an accident last winter resulting in a break of the right arm.

The sophomore class of the Mifflinburg High school was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Musser, whose eldest son Harold is a member. The occasion was one long to be remembered by the members of the class as well as those past school age, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meyer, of Centre Hall.

The William Grossman farm near Tusseyville will have a new tenant next spring in the person of S. S. Horner, son of George Horner, of Pleasant Gap, and who recently came in from Illinois where he had been working. Mr. Horner will succeed Herbert F. Grove, who by April 1st will have finished his first year on that farm.

Messrs. L. M. Royer and Cleveland H. Eunard, top-notch farmers of Gregg township, were callers on business at this office last Thursday. The former is the new agent of the rural telephone line in his section. The latter is agent for farm machinery and will soon come before the readers of this paper with a display advertisement along his line.

W. Frank McClellan purchased the "Young" farm from A. P. Leister, in Georges Valley, and next spring will move onto it. Mr. McClellan, for more than ten years, was one of the rural route carriers from Spring Mills. Since the change of rural routes, Mr. McClellan has been running the auto milk truck between Spring Mills and Mill Hall.

John H. Puff, grand deputy chief of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, in this district, installed officers in the lodges at Millheim and Madisonburg Monday and Wednesday nights of last week, and in the Centre Hall lodge on Friday evening. He was accompanied by the following members of the local order who comprised the team: Messrs. Milton Bradford, Clyde Bradford, Edward Brown, Earl Lutz, Boyd Potter, A. C. Ripka, Robert Smith and William Stump.

In this issue appears the sixtieth annual statement of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Centre county, of which Frank M. Fisher, of Penn Hall, is secretary. The company last year paid fire losses to the amount of $7178.32. The business of the company has enjoyed a steady and deserving growth until today the risks in force are more than four million and fifty-four thousand dollars. An outstanding feature of the report is the amount of insurance written within the past year, represented by the figures $901,679.00.

The state police ordered the youngsters not to coast on the state road on Nittany mountain. After enjoying this sport for many, many years it seems like encroaching on the rights of the youths, but conditions have changed so much since coasting was begun that at present the "long bob" would be a menace to every automobile that crossed the mountain when the roads were in condition to fully enjoy the sport. It is better to yield to the demands of the cops than be responsible for a wreck that might terminate seriously for the coaster as well as the auto occupants.

QUEER IDEAS ABOUT TEETH

They Have Been Worshiped and Are Worn as Amulets—Some Other Superstitions.

The mothers of Bretagne will not touch a baby's gums, lest the teeth grow crooked.

Teeth have often been, and to this day sometimes are, worn as amulets. Sharks' teeth serve this purpose in Samoa.

There was a tradition that from the time Chosroes, the Persian, carried off a piece of the true cross from Constantinople, the number of teeth in the mouths of men was reduced from thirty-two to twenty-three. It is needless to say, however, that mankind is usually provided with a full complement of thirty-five.

Teeth have been worshiped, and, in fact, are venerated as relics, in some religious shrines. Buddha's tooth is preserved in a temple in India, and Singhalese worshiped the tooth of a monkey, while an elephant's tooth and a shark's tooth served a similar purpose among the Malabar islanders and the Tonga islanders, respectively.

The period of teething being an anxious one in childhood, it is extremely important to have it over with. In the west of England a necklace of beads made from peony root was placed on the child's neck to assist the operation, and one of amber beads was also thought to be powerful, either being considered a help; according to the complexion of the child, so were the different colored beads used. It was also said that the first teeth must not be thrown away when they fall out, for if any animal got such a trophy the next tooth would be like that of the animal finding the old one.

PECULIAR SPECIMEN OF WASP

Insect That Is Becoming More Common in England Not Pretty Thing to Look At.

The other day a fearsome insect made its appearance in the window of a local chemist's shop, relates the London Chronicle. The chemist, placing a little chloroform wad near the invader, soon reduced it to a comatose condition. In color and shape it was much like a giant hornet, with a very long sting. It was a specimen of the giant-tailed wasp (Sirex gigans), which is getting much more common than it was some years ago. The larva is a wood-feeder, and is supposed to have been introduced to Great Britain in foreign timber.

The perfect insect is about two inches in length, has four membranous wings, and long, yellow antennae. The body is blueblack, with yellow stripes, and the long boring apparatus used by the insect for piercing a hole into the timber in which to deposit its eggs has, to the uninitiated, the appearance of a terrible sting. When hatched, the grub bores its way into the interior of the timber, where it enjoys itself for three years, or even longer.

Light Bent Back by Water.

If you ever looked down into the deep water you know that you cannot see very far, but that you can see the reflections of trees and grass and sky along the bank. Light is a kind of wave that is turned back or reflected. In passing through a window some of it is bent back so that sometimes you can see your face in the window glass just as you can in a looking glass. Exactly the same thing happens when light passes from air into water; part of it is bent back. Sometimes so much is bent back that you cannot see into the water at all. All this depends upon the direction from which the light is coming. In some cases you will not see the light coming from the surface of the water but thrown back from the bottom of the river.

Open Necks and Health.

Portraits of famous beauties who have kept their good looks late in life always show that they wore open necks and heelless shoes, says a well-known physician. Certain it is that when the neck is restricted with tight collars the important thyroid glands on either side of the windpipe, the great stabilizers of the human body, cannot do their work properly, and the correlations between other glands in the head, throat and chest are interrupted. It is these glands which store up the reserve strength and vitality so much needed in later life and which regulate the entire body and head. The thymus glands in the chest are particularly important to growing girls.

Easy to Distinguish Them.

"A press of other duties has made me neglect a certain important matter; viz, how to pick a duck," volunteered Professor Pate. "The way to pick a duck is to say 'Quack! quack!' to him with a rising inflection. If he merely quacks back he is a duck. If he answers that it is none of your jammed business he is a doctor. On the other hand, if he maintains a discreet silence he is either a toad or a diplomat."—Kansas City Star.

Tango Training.

Rankin—I just read in the paper that a famous athlete keeps himself in condition by dancing.

Phyle—Is that so? I must recommend it to an athletic friend of mine.

"Is he a sprinter?"

"No, a wrestler."

Centre Reporter, $1.50 per year.

FEEL CHARM OF CORNWALL

Artists Fond of Depicting Beauties of Scenes in That Famous English County.

It has been said that of the two hundred or more canvases dispatched each year from Cornwall to London "seven-eighths have been painted at Newlyn or St. Ives." Certainly, in the tangled streets of the little town, wherever a window gives upon the sea be sure an easel stands. St. Ives gets its name from an Irish princess, St. Ia, who floated thither upon a leaf and landed on Pendinas, the rocky headland which St. Ives calls "the island." St. Ives sits by a smooth circle of sea into which a tongue of rocky land thrusts a bold curving headland, inclosing an inner harbor in the great sweep of the bay. Up the green hillside climb the summer homes, the villas and cottages and hotels, that belong to the transient St. Ives. As its mean winter temperature is but four degrees lower than that of Rome, it has a fair percentage of winter visitors, while in summer its hotels are crowded. St. Ives does not let its visitors interfere with its business, which is pilchard fishing—a picturesque thing to the idle looker-on, but heavy-smelling work for the fishermen—and renting studios.

NEVER BEYOND RIFLE SHOT

Farmer In the East Jordan Country Had to Be Constantly in Reach of Protection.

"Towers in Jerusalem" strengthened the walls, which were somewhat out of repair.

"Towers in the desert" and "wells" were two absolutely essential necessities in the East Jordan country in Uzziah's day and to the present hour. In 1901 I visited Shobek, a fortified town less than fifty miles south of Amman, and, while standing on its huge fortifications, was told that the limit of its cultivated lands was fixed by the distance a rifle would send a bullet. In the same castle was a well with 365 steps cut in the solid rock leading to the precious water supply. Wells were dug at great expense where water was known or supposed to exist, but for every one well there were thousands of cisterns and pools "hewed out" of the solid rock. Both pools and cisterns were protected in many places by walls and towers of defense. In my journeys east of the Jordan I have no doubt passed many ruins and towers dating from Uzziah's time.—Christian Herald.

Cheese as an Aid to Health.

The long cherished idea that cheese should form only a small part of the daily diet recently has been challenged. Not long ago the United States department of agriculture issued a bulletin recommending the use of cheese as a cheap and wholesome substitute for meat.

An interesting and important assertion by a Swiss investigator is to the effect that persons who make cheese a considerable part of their regular diet are very resistant to many intestinal diseases, such as dysentery and the dreaded typhus fever which has desolated Serbia. According to Doctor Burri, the daily meat ration in the Swiss army has already been partly replaced by cheese, with excellent results.

Question of Tongue.

Some amount of confusion is caused by the pronunciation of the name of the town Kuprulu, or Veles, in Macedonia. The difference in nomenclature is attributable to the conflict of tongues. Kuprulu, Koprulu or Kuprili, is the Turkish equivalent of the Bulgarian Valesa and the Greek Velissa, all of which refer to the same town in the vilayet (as it was under Turkish rule) of Saloniki. The ancient Greek historian Polybius speaks of the town of Bylazors, and it is believed that the Bulgarian and modern Greek names are corruptions of this. The Turkish form, with slight modification, is the cognomen of a family of statesmen who flourished from the sixteenth to the eighteenth centuries. —London Chronicle.

Too New-Fangled for Her.

A South side young matron purchased a motor-driven sewing machine. She sent for her mother to come and see the new treasure. Her mother came, saw and sniffed.

"I don't like it," she said firmly, "and I don't want one of them. I find the same fault with it that mother found with my machine when I got it: 'I have sewed too long by hand to be converted to any of your new-fangled notions,' she declared to me when I showed her my machine in operation. 'Look at it!—Lickety-scoot! Lickety-scoot!' And that's just what I don't like about this motor thing—there's too much lickety-scoot about it."—Cleveland Leader.

Measuring Moisture in Wood.

Experts in wood technology have perfected instruments that measure the amount of moisture in wood, and thus have given to lumbermen information of the utmost value to them, since it has saved them many thousands of dollars in freight charges. According to one writer 1,000 pounds of green lumber fresh from the saw and cut from green logs contains from four hundred to five hundred pounds of water. Nearly all fresh-cut wood is at least one-third water. Some woods contain twice as much water as others.

Centre Reporter, $1.50 per year.

Shorter Name Lowered Taxes.

The city government at Tampico, the second largest seaport in Mexico, recently decided to tax all publicly displayed signs in a foreign language. Only names of firms were exempt. The tax was ten cents a month on each letter.

The proprietor of "The American Saloon" was particularly incensed when he had to pay the first $1.70. He aired his grievance at the Colonial club so loud that it attracted attention.

"Make it 'el Cantina Americano,' and save the $1.70,' someone suggested.

"Won't do it," replied the saloonkeeper. "Must have a sign in English to make it homelike."

"Then make it 'U. S. Bar.'"

He did; and saved $1.20 a month.

FOR IMMEDIATE SALE.—350 Acre Farm, over 50 acres of which is in fine timber. Desirable location, good buildings, abundance of running water at all times. Land in good state of cultivation. This is a fine proposition and should be sold quick. Possession April 1st, 1917. Very reasonable terms. Telephone or write me. CHAS. D. BARTHOLOMEW, Real Estate Agent, Centre Hall, Pa. 2,0-4

LOST.—A brown muff, on the public road between Spring Mills and Centre Hall. Finder please return same to VERNA ROWE, Centre Hall, Pa.

Now, Boys, Altogether.

A man was about to be lynched by a determined but considerate mob. Before adjusting the noose the leader inquired:

"Would you like to say your prayers or indulge in any other brief amusement?"

"A little exercise might be beneficial, seeing I'm run down," replied the doomed man.

"What variety of exercise?" inquired the mob leader.

"I think," said the prisoner, glancing at the coil of hemp, "I think I'd kinda like to skip the rope."

The Cause.

First Chauffer—Bill's been a chauffeur ten years and never run over nobody yet.

Second Chauffeur—Well, Bill's an absent-minded cuss. He's always thinking of something else.—New York Globe.

Help make the Reporter more newsy by telling us—in person or over the 'phone—of any little interesting happening.

Where will you deposit your Income during this year?

Before you decide this vital question we ask you to carefully consider the following facts:

This bank is fully equipped to meet every demand consistent with safe and sound banking principles.

We make loans secured by endorsement, collateral or real estate mortgage. Our rates, which are always reasonable, are governed by conditions. No discrimination among customers—all who borrow under the same conditions pay the same rate of interest.

We are prepared to furnish information on all leading stocks and bonds on the market and will purchase same for those who wise to buy.

We want the public to feel free in making use of our rooms, which are supplied with writing material and everything necessary for the transaction of business. Our Directors' Room affords the best possible place for private consultation and is always at the disposal of our friends and patrons. Our Notary Public will respond instantly to attend to any legal matters requiring oath or acknowledgment.

Small depositors receive the same consideration as those who carry large accounts. We pay 3 per cent. interest semi-annually on Time Deposits or Savings Accounts.

Our stock is owned by seventy-two citizens of the community, among whom our earnings are distributed, and the U. S. Government exercises general supervision over all our affairs by requiring frequent sworn statements from our officers and through personal examination by their representatives, thus affording the highest type of safety to our depositors.

The following semi-annual comparison shows the degrees by which our RESOURCES have steadily advanced until they now exceed a HALF MILLION DOLLARS.

December 31, 1909	$ 80,829 89
June 30, 1910	134,293 38
December 31, 1910	151,605 54
June 30, 1911	185,915 21
December 31, 1911	201,786 38
June 30, 1912	237,574 48
December 31, 1912	265,271 17
June 30, 1913	291,824 56
December 31, 1913	332,821 19
June 30, 1914	369,571 91
December 31, 1914	392,093 91
June 30, 1915	412,455 67
December 31, 1915	425,314 30
June 30, 1916	451,847 92
December 31, 1916	500,508 96

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OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE MISSED

Why Wait? Why Not Go to Western Canada Now?

The writer has frequently heard the remark that "after the war we will go to Western Canada." It does not occur to those making the remark that if they wish to secure lands in Western Canada, whether by homestead or purchase, the best time to go is now. After the war the welcome will be just as hearty as ever, but the chances are that land values will increase and today homesteads are plentiful and land is reasonable in price. There is no question about what the land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta will do, what it will give under proper cultivation.

Farmers in Western Canada are paying for their land holdings with the proceeds of last year's crop. That this is no idle statement may be gleaned from the three following items, which are picked out at random:

"In the spring of 1916 a half-section of land was offered for sale at $17.00 per acre. There were 105 acres of summer-fallow, which because the owner could not at the time find a buyer, were seeded to wheat. A yield of 40 bushels per acre, 4,200 bushels all told, grading No. 1, was obtained. The price the day the grain was sold (which was very early in the season, before grain prices advanced to round about $2.00) was $1.60, which brought the handsome total of $6,720.00. Three hundred and twenty acres at $17.00 equals $5,440.00, so that a buyer, by placing less than half of the whole under crop, would have made a profit of $1,280.00."—Robson Messenger, Robson, Sask.

"That the 'Indiana Boys' farm this year raised sufficient crop to pay for the land, all the machinery and all overhead expenses as well as make a handsome profit, is the information given by N. B. Davis, the manager. The wheat yield was over 22,000 bushels. Of twelve cars already sold, nine graded No. 1, and Mr. Davis has sold over 2,000 bushels locally for seed at $2.00. Naturally, when he gets to Indiana he will be a big booster for Alberta."—Bassano Mail, Bassano, Alta.

"Oscar Castalor, who bought land at Blusson after the crop had been put in last spring, for $3,800.00, has threshed 3,900 bushels of wheat, which is worth at present prices about $7,500.00. He refused an offer of $5,000.00 for the land after the crop had been taken off."—Lethbridge Herald, Lethbridge, Alta.

Reports from the wheat fields are highly encouraging and show that the wheat crop of many farmers in Western Canada was highly satisfactory.

Coblenz, Sask.—W. A. Rose has threshed an average of 33 bushels per acre and 83 bushels of oats.

Gleichen, Alberta.—Up to date 237,812 bushels of grain have been received by local elevators, of which nearly 180,000 bushels were wheat. Seventy one cars of grain have already been shipped.

Stoop Creek, Sask.—James McRae has threshed 5,400 bushels of grain 2,000 bushels of which were wheat grading No. 1 Northern. One field averaged 44 bushels per acre, and a large field of oats averaged 83 bushels.

If information as to the best location is required, it will be gladly furnished by any Canadian Government Agent, whose advertisement appears elsewhere.—Advertisement.

She Was Shopping.

She had been sitting in the furniture shop for nearly two hours, inspecting the stock of linoleums. Roll after roll the perspiring assistant brought out, but still she seemed dissatisfied. From her dress he judged her to be a person of wealth, and thought it likely she would have a good order to give. When at last he had shown her the last roll he paused in despair.

"I'm very sorry, madam," he said apologetically, "but if you could wait I could get some more pieces from the factory. Perhaps you would call again."

The prospective customer gathered her belongings together and rose from the chair.

"Yes, do," she said, with a gracious smile, "and ask them to send you one or two with very small designs, suitable for putting in the bottom of a canary's cage."—Chicago Journal.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

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Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Unkind Interpretation.

"My fingers are all thumbs."

"I guess they are, at the identification bureau."

Only One "BROMO QUININE"

To get the genuine, call for full name LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for signature of E. W. GROVE. Cures a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Waterproof knapsacks made of horse hair have been invented by a Japanese army officer.

If your eyes smart or feel scalded, Roman Eye Balsam applied upon going to bed is just the thing to relieve them. Adv.

Within the heel of a recently patented shoe for women is contained a complete vanity case.

STARTING TO CUT ICE

BUFFALO BILL, SCOUT, IS DEAD

Passes Away at Home of His Daughter in Denver.

FACES END LIKE A STOIC

Col. W. F. Cody, Idol Of Juvenile America, One Of Most Picturesque Characters Of Old West.

Denver, Col.—Col. William Frederick Cody (Buffalo Bill), soldier, hunter and scout, died here at the home of his sister.

With Colonel Cody when he died were his wife and daughter, who had hurried down from Cody, Wyo., the family home, last week to be at his bedside, and his sister, Mrs. L. E. Decker, of Denver.

Buffalo Bill, the idol of juvenile America, fought death as he often had opposed it on the plains in the days when the West was young.

"You can't kill the old scout," he would tell his physician whenever his condition would show improvement. And when the doctor told him his life was ebbing, the Colonel accepted his fate like a stoic.

Played "High Five" While Dying.

"Let the Elks and Masons take charge of the funeral," he said to his sister. Then he turned to his business affairs, making suggestions for their continuance.

"Let us have a game of 'high five,'" he said, after he had talked with his family. And every one joined, the Colonel laughing and joking because he was winning.

Since January 5, when he was hurried back to his sister's home here, Colonel Cody had surprised all who knew his real condition by great powers of resistance and recuperation. One day his physician would see the end "within 36 hours," and then the patient would rally and no one could predict the outcome.

On January 8, however, his system broke down entirely and from then on it was a question merely of time.

Show Work Broke Strength.

Colonel Cody returned from his season's show work last fall much exhausted. He went to his ranch at Cody, Wyo., to rest and on his return to Denver, about four weeks ago, contracted a severe cold. This was followed by complications so serious that the Colonel's wife and daughter were called to his bedside.

Colonel Cody soon showed improvement and on January 3 went to Glenwood Springs, Col., to recuperate. On January 5 he suffered a nervous collapse and his physicians hurried him back to Denver. For years he had been an inveterate smoker. His physicians said tobacco had affected his heart seriously.

Known To Every American.

Col. William F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill," hunter, soldier, scout and showman, was for many years known to nearly every man, woman, boy and girl in America through his Wild West show, with which he toured this country and Europe. He was a picturesque type of the pioneer frontiersman and lived to see large cities built where he once hunted the buffalo and fough Indians.

CHINA AT ODDS WITH RUSSIA.

Killing Of 200 To 400 Celestials By Cossacks Causes Tension.

Washington.—Information received here indicates an increasingly serious situation between China and Russia over the recent reported killing of from 200 to 400 Chinese by Cossacks in a riot at Kaahu, in the interior province of Sinkiang, or Turkestan.

Negotiations over five demands presented by China on Russia, including indemnity for bereaved families and proper apologies and guarantees for the future are still going on, with no settlement in sight.

The rioters were Cossacks who annually go south into Sinkiang during the fall and return under escort of Chinese troops as soon as the harvest is completed.

SENATE VOTES FOR "DRY" CAPITAL

Referendum Amendment Beaten by a Tie Vote.

MEASURE IS NOT DRASTIC

Manufacture Is Not Forbidden—The Bill Practically Abolishes the Saloons—Wilson Favored Referendum.

Washington.—The Shephard bill to abolish saloons in the National Capital after November 1, 1917, was passed by the Senate and now goes to the House, where its friends claim it is assured of passage. The vote in the Senate was 55 to 32.

While the measure prohibits the sale of liquor in the District of Columbia, it permits importation for personal use. An amendment which would have submitted the proposal to a referendum of citizens of the District was defeated just before passage by a tie vote, 42 to 43.

Party Lines Ignored.

Neither the vote on the referendum amendment nor that on the passage of the bill was on party lines. There were 26 Democrats and 17 Republicans voting for the referendum and 22 Democrats and 21 Republicans voting against it. Most of the Republicans of the so-called Progressive group voted against it.

For the bill itself there were 28 Democratic and 27 Republican votes, with 22 Democrats and 10 Republicans against it. All the Progressives voted for passage.

What Bill Provides.

The prohibiting language of the bill says that after November 1 "no person or persons, or any house, company, association, club or corporation, his, its, or their agents, officers, clerks or servants, directly or indirectly, shall, in the District of Columbia, manufacture for sale or gift, import for sale, offer for sale, keep for sale, traffic in, barter, export, ship out of the District of Columbia or exchange for goods or merchandise or solicit or receive orders for the purchase of any alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes or for any other than scientific, medicinal, pharmaceutical, mechanical, sacramental or other non-beverage purposes."

Another section says the measure shall not be construed to prevent "the manufacture, importation, exportation, or sale" of denatured methyl alcohol, or of ethyl alcohol for scientific, medicinal and like purposes, but their manufacture and sale are limited to licensed druggists or manufacturers. The so-called locker system is specifically forbidden.

Imports Rigidly Regulated.

All common carriers bringing intoxicants into the District are required to keep a record of the shipper and consignee, who must make affidavit that they are for personal use. The law declares that no property rights shall exist in alcoholic liquors illegally manufactured or brought into the District, makes every place that violates the law a "common nuisance" and gives the right to any citizen to sue to enjoin such nuisance.

NAVY TO GUIDE ELECTION.

People Of Haiti Satisfied At Supervision By U. S. Officers.

Port au Prince, Haiti. — United States naval officers will supervise the national election in Haiti next Tuesday to insure an honest count. The people express satisfaction with this supervision, declaring that they feel sure it will result in an absence of political dissension.

CHALONER TURNED DOWN.

Author Of "Who's Loony Now?" Refused Control Of His Estates.

Washington. — John Armstrong Chaloner, author of "Who's Loony Now?" was refused control of his big estates in New York by the United States Supreme Court.

BILIOUS, HEADACHY, SICK "CASCARETS"

Gently cleanse your liver and sluggish bowels while you sleep.

Get a 10-cent box.

Sick headache, biliousness, dizziness, coated tongue, foul taste and foul breath—always trace them to torpid liver; delayed, fermenting food in the bowels or sour, gassy stomach.

Poisonous matter clogged in the intestines, instead of being cast out of the system is re-absorbed into the blood. When this poison reaches the delicate brain tissue it causes congestion and that dull, throbbing, sickening headache.

Cascarets immediately cleanse the stomach, remove the sour, undigested food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret to-night will surely straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist means your head clear, stomach sweet and your liver and bowels regular for months. Adv.

She Had Heard of One.

"Whoever saw a perfect man?" asked an evangelist at a revival meeting. "There is no such thing. Every man has his faults, plenty of them."

Of course, no one had ever seen a perfect man, and consequently the statement of the revivalist was received with silence. The revivalist continued:

"Whoever saw a perfect woman?"

At this junction a tall, thin woman arose.

"Do you mean to say, madam," the evangelist asked, "that you have seen a perfect woman?"

"Well, I can't just say that I have seen her," the woman replied, "but I have heard a great deal about her—my husband's first wife."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

CUTICURA COMPLEXIONS

Are Usually Remarkably Soft and Clear—Trial Free.

Make Cuticura Soap your every-day toilet Soap, and assist it now and then as needed by touches of Cuticura Ointment to soften, soothe and heal. Nothing better to make the complexion clear, scalp free from dandruff and hands soft and white.

Free sample each by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

A Bit of Everything.

Traveler (entering hotel)—Can I have something to eat?

Proprietor—Yes; what would you like?

Traveler—What have you got?

Proprietor—Oh, we've got everything.

Traveler—All right; I'll have a bit of everything.

Proprietor (shouting into kitchen)—One stoo!—New York Morning Telegraph.

ACTRESS TELLS SECRET.

A well known actress gives the following recipe for gray hair: To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

A Private Matter.

"What is that Miss Yowler singing?" asked father.

"'I'm Falling in Love With Someone,'" answered daughter.

"Well, there are a lot of gossips in this neighborhood. If that's the way she feels she ought to keep it to herself."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Pressing a Proverb.

"Never count your chickens before they're hatched."

"I did worse than that," commented the Chicago market operator. "I tried to corner the entire egg supply."

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

In the Lead.

"Now, I see that America leads in breeding dogs."

"Hurrah for the American eagle."

"Also the American beagle."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Garfield Tea was your Grandmother's Remedy for every stomach and intestinal ill. This good old-fashioned herb home remedy for constipation, stomach ills and other derangements of the system so prevalent these days is in even greater favor as a family medicine than in your grandmother's day.—Adv.

The working force of the British navy afloat and ashore, includes more than 1,000,000 men.

Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" is powerful and prompt but safe. One dose only is enough to expel Worms or Tapeworm. No castor oil necessary. Adv.

The odds in favor of marriage are two to one.

Chile has two woolen factories.

BLAST WRECKS DUPONT PLANT

400,000 Pounds of Powder Blow Up at Haskell, N. J.

Flames Leap Across River To Drying Houses, After Wrecking Glazing Barrel.

New York.—Four hundred thousand pounds of powder was destroyed by fire and explosion at the Haskell, N. J., plant of the du Pont Powder Company. Officials of the company declared after checking up the members of the night shift at the works that only two men were missing. Twelve others were cut by flying debris, but none of them was seriously hurt. No estimate of the loss was obtainable.

There were two distinct explosions, the force of which was terrific. Buildings were shaken and windows shattered far out on Long Island and up the Hudson River to Poughkeepsie.

The first explosion was in what is known as "the glazing barrel." The fire which resulted spread quickly to the blending house and from there to three magazines. One of the magazines blew up, but the powder in the others was consumed by the flames.

The blazing magazines set fire to the screening house, from which the flames leaped across Wanaque River and consumed three drying houses on the other side. At this point the fire was checked by the efforts of the company's employes.

Other buildings in the plant and many in the village, which was built in a semicircle around the works, were shattered by the force of the concussion, which was by far the most severe ever experienced at Haskell.

No estimate was available of the number of men at work when the disaster occurred, but as soon as the terror caused by the explosions had subsided somewhat the company's officials began rounding up their men to check up the casualties. It is feared that two who were employed in the "glazing barrel" lost their lives.

The concussion blew a tremendous hole in the side of a mountain, near which the plant was built.

The countryside was terrorized by the explosion.

The powder plant is located in an isolated section of Passaic county. All telegraph and telephone lines were blown down, making it difficult to obtain information.

VILLA FORCE DEFEATED.

Heavy Losses Reported In Engagement At Pilar De Concho.

Chihuahua City, Mexico.—Gen. Pablo Gonzales, with de facto forces, defeated a column of Francisco Villa's followers at Pilar de Concho, 60 miles west of Santa Rosalia and 40 miles north of Parral, it was officially announced here. Many Villa prisoners were captured and the Villa losses were said to have been heavy.

Following the announcement it was stated that General Gonzales, who is a major-general at Mexico City, will take command of the government forces operating against Villa during General Francisco Murguia's temporary absence from the front on an official visit to Chihuahua City.

The people of the city are preparing a big reception for General Murguia in honor of his recent victories over the Villa forces.

GEN. LUIS HERRERA HANGED.

Refugees From Torreon Describe Execution By Villistas.

El Paso, Texas.—Foreign refugees from Torreon confirmed reports of the execution of Gen. Luis Herrera, a Carranza commander. They said General Herrera's body was hanged to a telegraph pole with bundles of Carranza money in each hand and a picture of General Carranza suspended from the body.

They said Villa levied forced loans of 50,000 pesos upon the Spanish residents of the city and 25,000 pesos each on the British and German residents. Sixty Chinese and four Arabs were killed by the Villa followers, they added.

OLD AGE PENSION BILL UP.

Would Give $2 a Week To Incapacitated Americans Over 65.

Washington.—Every American citizen over 65 years of age who is incapable of manual labor and whose annual income is less than $200 would get a pension of $2 a week under a bill before the House Pension Committee. Representative Sherwood, of Ohio, is author of the bill.

WOULD OUTLAW CIGARETTE.

Oklahoma House Passes Bill Making Smoker Liable To Arrest.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—A law under which the smoking of a cigarette in Oklahoma would make the smoker liable to arrest is in prospect. A bill with that end was passed by the House of Representatives. The measure would make it unlawful to offer for sale or give away cigarettes.

COL. CODY'S ESTATE $65,000.

Consists Mainly Of Three Ranches and Equity In Hotel.

Denver.—The estate of the late Col. William F. Cody, was estimated by Judge W. L. Wall, for years Colonel Cody's attorney, at not less than $65,000. It consists, in the main, of three ranches near Cody, Wyo., and an equity in a hotel in that town.

SYRUP OF FIGS FOR A CHILD'S BOWELS

It is cruel to force nauseating, harsh physic into a sick child.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Adv.

Few Now Care to Walk.

It is hardly too much to say that the automobile as she is at present driven has made walking for pleasure or walking for health—walking of every sort, in fact, except mere pavement strolling or hurried, rabbitlike dashes for the shelter of the nearest trolley car—practically impossible, a source of annoyance and perpetual discomfort instead of a pleasure.—Exchange.

Cruelly Said.

He (playfully)—A penny for your thoughts.

She—That's about all they're worth. I was thinking of you.

Interested In the Time of Day.

"Is Biggins obliged to catch a train?"

"No. His wife gave him a gold watch for Christmas."

Pimples, boils, carbuncles, dry up and disappear with Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. In tablets or liquid. —Adv.

Lady fingers are the prevailing thing in engagement rings.

It's a good thing to have a reputation that isn't bad.

When Work Is Hard

That kidney troubles are so common is due to the strain put upon the kidneys in so many occupations, such as:
Jarring and jolting on railroads, etc.
Cramp and strain as in barbering, moulding, heavy lifting, etc.
Exposure to changes of temperature in iron furnaces, refrigerators, etc.
Dampness as in tanneries, quarries, mines, etc.
Inhaling poisonous fumes in painting, printing and chemical shops.
Doan's Kidney Pills are fine for strengthening weak kidneys.

A Pennsylvania Case

Peter F. Sellars, 1118 Kirkpatrick Ave., Braddock, Pa., says: "My back was so stiff I couldn't stoop and I often had bad dizzy spells with spots before my eyes. The doctor's medicine didn't relieve me and finally he suggested an operation. I used Doan's Kidney Pills instead and they made a complete and lasting cure."

Get Doan's at Any Store, 50c a Box

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

Rheumacide

GETS AT THE JOINTS FROM THE INSIDE

Have you RHEUMATISM Lumbago or Gout?

Take RHEUMACIDE to remove the cause and drive the poison from the system.
"RHEUMACIDE ON THE INSIDE PUTS RHEUMATISM ON THE OUTSIDE"

At All Druggists

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STOCK LICK IT—STOCK LIKE IT

For Horses, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs. Contains Copperas for Worms, Sulphur for the Blood, Saltpeter for the Kidneys, Nux Vomica, a Tonic, and Pure Dairy Salt. Used by Veterinarians 12 years. No Dosing. Drop Brick in feed-box. Ask your dealer for Blackman's or write

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FOR OLD AND YOUNG

Tutt's Liver Pills act as kindly on the child, the delicate female or infirm old age, as upon the vigorous man.

Tutt's Pills

give tone and strength to the weak stomach, bowels, kidneys and bladder.

GALL STONES (No Oil) AVOID OPERATIONS

No more Gallstone Pains or Aches in Stomach, Back, Side or Shoulders; Liver Troubles, Stomach Misery, Dyspepsia, Colic, Gas, Biliousness, Headache, Constipation, Piles, Catarrh, Nervousness, Blues, Jaundice, Appendicitis. These are common Gallstone symptoms—CAN BE CURED. Send for home treatment. Medical Book on Liver, Stomach, Gall Troubles and Appendicitis, FREE

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Women of Middle Age

Many distressing Ailments experienced by them are Alleviated by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Here is Proof by Women who Know.

Lowell, Mass.—"For the last three years I have been troubled with the Change of Life and the bad feelings common at that time. I was in a very nervous condition, with headaches and pain a good deal of the time so I was unfit to do my work. A friend asked me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which I did, and it has helped me in every way. I am not nearly so nervous, no headache or pain. I must say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the best remedy any sick woman can take."—Mrs. MARGARET QUINN, Rear 259 Worthen St., Lowell, Mass.

She Tells Her Friends to Take Lydia E. Pinkham's Remedies.

North Haven, Conn.—"When I was 45 I had the Change of Life which is a trouble all women have. At first it didn't bother me but after a while I got bearing down pains. I called in doctors who told me to try different things but they did not cure my pains. One day my husband came home and said, 'Why don't you try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Sanative Wash?' Well, I got them and took about 10 bottles of Vegetable Compound and could feel myself regaining my health. I also used Lydia E. Pinkham's Sanative Wash and it has done me a great deal of good. Any one coming to my house who suffers from female troubles or Change of Life, I tell them to take the Pinkham remedies. There are about 20 of us here who think the world of them."—Mrs. FLORENCE ISELLA, Box 197, North Haven, Conn.

You are Invited to Write for Free Advice.

No other medicine has been so successful in relieving woman's suffering as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Women may receive free and helpful advice by writing the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. Such letters are received and answed by women only and held in strict confidence.

Favored by Circumstances.

"Wonderful time that aviator made!"

"Yes," replied Mr. Chuggins. "But think of the advantage she had. Not a traffic policeman on the entire route."

Contrary Methods.

"How are you going to learn to drive your motor car?"

"I am going to employ a coach."

Mr. Wise—"Do you know what's good for rats?"
Miss Slow—"Why, poison, of course."
Mr. Wise—"No, that would kill them—cheese."

Do you know what's good for a cough, throat and lung troubles, that will allay inflammation and insure a good night's sleep with free and easy expectoration in the morning? The answer always the same year after year, is

Boschee's German Syrup

Soothing and healing to bronchial and throat irritation. 25c. and 75c. sizes all Druggists and Dealers everywhere. Your grandfather used it 51 years ago. Try it yourself and see how it stops a hacking cough like magic.

For Horses

Horsemen agree that Yager's Liniment is the best and most economical liniment for general stable use.

For strained ligaments, spavin, harness galls, sweeny, wounds or old sores, cuts and any enlargements, it gives quick relief.

A 25 cent bottle contains four times as much as the usual bottle of liniment sold at that price.

At all dealers.

YAGER'S LINIMENT

GILBERT BROS. & CO. Baltimore, Md.

"ROUGH on RATS" Ends Rats, Mice, Bugs. Die outdoors. 15c and 25c.

W. N. U., BALTIMORE, NO. 3--1917.

No Precaution Neglected.

The little son of a clergyman recently appeared at breakfast with distinct evidences of a hastily made toilet.

"Why, Edmund," his mother remonstrated, "I believe you forgot to brush your hair!"

"I was in such a hurry to get to school," he explained.

"I hope you didn't forget to say your prayers?" she asked anxiously.

"No, sirree!" was the emphatic assurance; "that's one thing I never forget. Safety first!"—Harper's Magazine.

FALLING HAIR MEANS DANDRUFF IS ACTIVE

Save Your Hair! Get a 25 Cent Bottle of Danderine Right Now—Also Stops Itching Scalp.

Thin, brittle, coloriess and scraggy hair is mute evidence of a neglected scalp; of dandruff—that awful scurf.

There is nothing so destructive to the hair as dandruff. It robs the hair of its luster, its strength and its very life; eventually producing a feverishness and itching of the scalp, which if not remedied causes the hair roots to shrink, loosen and die—then the hair falls out fast. A little Danderine tonight—now—any time—will surely save your hair.

Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any store, and after the first application your hair will take on that life, luster and luxuriance which is so beautiful. It will become wavy and fluffy and have the appearance of abundance; an incomparable gloss and softness, but what will please you most will be after just a few weeks' use, when you will actually see a lot of fine, downy hair—new hair—growing all over the scalp. Adv.

Could It Be Pleasant?

Redd—I hear your brother spent the autumn in his airplane.

Greene—Yes, he did.

"Well, I hope he had a pleasant fall."—Yonkers Statesman.

London has 78,500 miles of telephone and telegraph wires.

Dallas, Tex., has 149 buildings devoted to the automobile industry.

The New Method

(BY L. W. BOWER, M. D.)

Backache of any kind is often caused by kidney disorder, which means that the kidneys are not working properly. Poisonous matter and uric acid accumulate within the body in great abundance over-working the sick kidneys, hence the congestion of blood causes backache in the same manner as a similar congestion in the head causes headache. You become nervous, despondent, sick, feverish, irritable, have spots appearing before the eyes, bags under the lids, and lack ambition to do things.

The latest and most effective means of overcoming this trouble, is to eat sparingly of meat, drink plenty water between meals and take a single Anuric tablet before each meal for a while.

Simply ask your favorite druggist for Anuric. If you have lumbago, rheumatism, gout, dropsy, begin immediately with this novel treatment.

LOSS OF POWER and vital force follow loss of flesh, or emaciation. These come from impoverished blood. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery enriches the blood, stops the waste of strength and tissue, and builds up healthy flesh

Thin, pale, puny and scrofulous children are made plump, rosy and robust by the "Discovery." They like it too.

In recovering from "Grippe," or in convalescence from pneumonia, fevers, or other wasting diseases, it speedily and surely invigorates and builds up the whole system. As an appetizing, restorative tonic, it sets at work all the processes of digestion and nutrition, rouses every organ into natural action, and brings back health and strength.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation. Constipation is the cause of many diseases. Cure the cause and you cure the disease. Easy to take as candy

STAND BY PRESIDENT!

Wilson Entitled to Support of Both Parties, Is Plea.

Difficulties Confronting Administration So Great as to Call for Temporary Abandonment of Partisanship.

It seems to the Washington Herald that the members of congress can put their time to better use than debating informally the question as to whether the Democrats or the Republicans shall elect the speaker of the next house of representatives.

President Wilson's great successes as chief magistrate give him a claim on the support of the members of congress without regard to party, and since both Speaker Clark and Leader Mann are supporting the president's peace program, it would seem to be a case of "Hobson's choice" between the two.

The president has on his shoulders greater responsibilities than have rested on any head of the government since the days of Abraham Lincoln. He is seeking to end the European war; he is seeking to keep this country out of hostilities in Europe and in Mexico; he is aiming to so manage affairs that there shall be no disturbance to the business equilibrium in the United States; he is holding in check the most pronounced pro-ally sentiment, and at the same time seeking to avoid the pitfalls dug for him by the pro-German sympathizers close to his own administration; he is facing the prospect of peace and European competition coming more quickly than a readjustment of tariff schedules can be made, and above all he is just now realizing that there is a huge deficit in the treasury which must be met either by a bond issue or by the imposition of more taxes.

President Wilson has shown a great capacity for constructive statesmanship. The burden mainly has been his, and he has carried it across many a narrow bridge, spanning many a yawning abyss. He needs the support of congress now if he is to succeed, and if the country is to avoid disaster. He needs a united party. He needs the support of the bankers of the country, who unfortunately are regarded with suspicion. He needs the support of the press, which is one great industry confronted with loss in consequence of war prices, but which is taking generally a broad and patriotic view. Congress should lead the way.

Let the country stand by the president, as he has stood by the country. The outlook is serious enough to cause the temporary interment of narrow partisanship.

G. O. P. Has Internal Troubles.

Although the organization of the next house is a year away—unless an extra session should be called—indications are that Representative James R. Mann, the Republican floor leader for the last six years, will be eliminated as a candidate for speaker if the Republicans control the house.

There is still a smattering of Republican insurgency in the lower body. Observers of house affairs say there are about a half-dozen members of that body who must be coaxed to vote for Mr. Mann, and the chances are against landing all of them, even in the face of party necessity.

Despite the facility of Republicans for "getting together," the prospect increases that there will be a compromise candidate for the speakership.

Speaker Clark has no opposition within his own party, and is not worrying. If the Democrats organize the house, he will be the next speaker. Mr. Mann has opposition, mostly under the surface at present, but the next house will be so close the Republican candidate cannot afford to lose even one vote.

Use for Salmon Roe.

During all the years of the salmon industry there have been millions of tons of salmon roe thrown away. American packers could find no use for the roe, and like other "waste" product it was dumped into the rivers to be carried out to sea. Now a newly arrived Russian immigrant who was familiar with the processing of sturgeon roe in his own land has proved that the salmon roe may be made most delicious. According to epicures who have tried the new product it far surpasses Russian caviar, and next year it is expected the former "waste" product will become one of the most important packs at the salmon fisheries. There are few things under the sun that the brain and the hand of man cannot put to some valuable use.

They'll All Lose.

When the war is finally over, it is fairly certain to show all nations losers, recalling again the remark made at the beginning of hostilities that no one won the San Francisco earthquake.—Atchison Globe.

Winter Bicycle.

A Montreal (Can.) man wanted to use his bicycle in winter. He removed the front wheel and attached a small sled to the forks. Thus he had a bicycle-sled, which enabled him to ride around at ease, says the popular Science Monthly.

Free to Act.

What we like about the short-skirted girl is that when she stands with reluctant feet where the brook and river meet she can jump over as well as wade in.—Galveston News.

THE MARKETS

NEW YORK.—Wheat—Spot strong; No. 2 hard, $2.11; No. 1 Northern Duluth, $2.15; No. 1 Northern Manitoba, $2.26¼ f o b New York.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, $1.12 c i f New York.

Oats—Standard, 65@65½c.

Butter — Creamery, higher than extras, 40½@41c; creamery extras (92 score), 40c; firsts, 36½@39½c; seconds, 35@36c.

Eggs—Fresh gathered, extra firsts, 48@49c; firsts, 46@47c; refrigerator special marks, fancy, 37c; seconds to poorer, 34½@36½c; nearby hennery whites, fine to fancy, 53½@56c; nearby hennery browns, 51@53c.

Cheese—State, held, specials, 24@24½c; do, average fancy, 23½@24c.

Live Poultry — Chickens, 19½c; fowls, 18½@19½c; turkeys, 16@25c. Dressed, chickens, 17@26c; fowls, 15½@23c; turkeys, 20@32½c.

PHILADELPHIA. — Wheat — No. 2 red spot, $1.90@1.93; No. 2 Southern red, spot, $1.88@1.91; do do, steamer, No. 2 red, $1.86@1.89; do do, No. 3, $1.86@1.89; rejected A, $1.82@1.85; rejected B, $1.78@1.81.

Corn—Carlots, for local trade, as to location, No. 2 yellow, $1.10½@1.11½; No. 3 yellow, $1.09½@1.10½; No. 4 yellow, $1.07½@1.08½; No. 5 yellow, $1.05½@1.07½; Southern, $1.04½@1.07½.

Oats—No. 2 white, 64@64½c; standard white, 63@63½c; No. 3 white, 62@62½c; No. 4 white, 60@61c; sample oats, 57½@58½c.

Butter — Western, solid-packed creamery, fancy specials, 42c; do do, extras, 40@41c; extra firsts, 39@39½c; firsts, 37@38c; do do, seconds, 35@36c; nearby prints, fancy, 43c; do do, average extras, 41@42c; do do, firsts, 38@39c; do do, seconds, 35@37c; jobbing sales of fancy prints, 46@49c.

Eggs—Nearby extras, 51c; nearby firsts, per standard case, $14.70; nearby current receipts, $14.40; Western extras, 51c per dozen; do do, extra firsts, $14.70 per case; do do, firsts, $14.40; refrigerator extras, $11.10; do do, firsts, $10.80; do do, seconds, $10.20; fancy selected, candled, jobbing at 57@62c a dozen.

Cheese — New York, full cream, fancy, held, 25¼@25½c; specials, higher; fair to good, held, 24¼@24¾c; do do, part skims, 13@21c.

Live Poultry—Fowls, 19@21c; roosters, 15@16c; spring chickens, according to quality, 19@21c; white leghorns, according to quality, 18@20c; ducks, as to size and quality, 18@21c; turkeys, 24@28c; geese, 18@21c; pigeons, old, per pair, 28@30c; do do, young, per pair, 20@25c.

BALTIMORE.—Wheat—No. 2 red Western, $2.02; No. 2 red spot, $1.97; January No. 2 red, $1.97; February No. 2 red, $1.97.

Corn—January, $1.09; spot mixed corn, $1.09.

Oats—Standard white, 63@63½c; No. 3 white, 62@62½.

Rye—No. 2 Western, export, $1.53@1.54; No. 3 do, do, $1.50@1.51; No. 4 do, do, $1.49@1.50; bag lots, as to quality and condition, $1@1.15.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $17.50; No. 2 do, $16.50; No. 3 do, $13.50@16; light clover mixed, $16@16.50; No. 1 do, do, $15.50@16; No. 2 do, do, $12@14.50; No. 1 do, $14@14.50; No. 2 do, $13@13.50; No. 3 do, $8@9.

Straw—No. 1 straight rye, $14; No. 2 do, do, $13@13.50; No. 1 tangled do, $10.50@11; No. 2 do, do, $9.50@10; No. 1 wheat, $9@9.50; No. 2 do, $8@8.50; No. 1 oat, $9.50; No. 2 do, $8.50@9.

Butter—Creamery, fancy, 41@41½c; do, choice, 39@40; do, good, 38; do, prints, 41@43; do, blocks, 40@42; Maryland and Pennsylvania rolls, 30; Ohio rolls, 29; West Virginia rolls, 29; storepacked, 28; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania dairy prints, 30.

Eggs—Maryland, Pennsylvania and nearby firsts, 48@49c; Western firsts, 48@49; West Virginia firsts, 47@48; Southern firsts, 46@47. Cold storage eggs are quoted at 36@37c.

Live Poultry—Chickens—Old hens, 4 lbs and over, 21c; do, small to medium, 19@20; old roosters, 12; springers, smooth, fat, 21; do, rough and poor, 19@20; white leghorns, 20. Ducks—Young Pekings, 3½ lbs and over, 19@20c; do, puddle, do, 19; do, muscovy, do, 19; do, smaller, 18. Geese—Nearby, 19@20c; Western and Southern, 18@19; Kent Island, 20@21. Turkeys—Hens, 26@27c; young gobblers, 25@26; old toms, 24@25; poor and crooked breast, 20@21.

Dressed Hogs—Choice lightweights, 12½@13c; do medium, do, 11½@12; do, heavy, do, 10½@11.

Live Stock

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Hogs—Bulk, $10@10.45; heavy, $10.35@10.50; packers and butchers', $10.20@10.45; light, $9.70@10.20; pigs, $8.25@9.50.

Sheep—Lambs, $12.75@13.25; yearlings, $11@12; wethers, $8.75@10; ewes, $8@9.25.

Cattle—Prime fed steers, $10.50@11.50; dressed beef steers, $8.50@10.50; Southern steers, $6.50@9; cows, $5.25@9; heifers, $6@10.50; stockers and feeders, $6.25@8.50; bulls, $5.50@7.50; calves, $6.50@11.50.

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Sheep—Wethers, $9.25@10.50; ewes, $6.75@10; lambs, $11.40@13.70.

THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND DON'T KNOW IT

Weak and unhealthy kidneys cause so much sickness and suffering and when through neglect or other causes, kidney trouble is permitted to continue, serious results may be expected.

Your other organs may need attention—but your kidneys should have attention first because their work is most important.

If you feel that your kidneys are the cause of your sickness or run down condition commence taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because if it proves to be the remedy you need and your kidneys begin to improve they will help all the other organs to health.

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Most people do not realize the alarming increase and remarkable prevalency of kidney disease. While kidney disorders are among the most common diseases that prevail, they are almost the last recognized by patients, *who usually content themselves with doctoring the effects*, while the *original disease* constantly undermines the system.

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Thousands of people have testified that the mild and immediate effect of Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, is soon realized and that it stands the highest for its remarkable results in the most distressing cases.

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Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you suffer from annoying bladder troubles, frequently passing water night and day, smarting or irritation in passing, brick-dust or sediment, headache, backache, lame back, dizziness, poor digestion, sleeplessness, nervousness, heart disturbance due to bad kidney trouble, skin eruptions from bad blood, neuralgia, rheumatism, lumbago, bloating, irritability, worn-out feeling, lack of ambition, may be loss of flesh or sallow complexion, kidney trouble in its worst form may be stealing upon you.

Swamp-Root Is Pleasant to Take.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at all drug stores.

SPECIAL NOTE—You may obtain a sample size bottle of Swamp-Root by enclosing ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. This gives you the opportunity to prove the remarkable merit of this medicine. They will also send you a book of valuable information, containing many of the thousands of grateful letters received from men and women who say they found Swamp-Root to be just the remedy needed in kidney, liver and bladder troubles. The value and success of Swamp-Root are so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample size bottle. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing be sure and mention this paper.

DEAD-HEAD WAS OF SOME USE

He Always Paid Many Times Over for Favor Received From Railroads.

Dead-head! They called him a "dead-head," the writer, whom the general passenger agent used to be privileged to invite to go over his line and tell his story. And as courtesy begets courtesy, so in the days gone by, before free transportation was made an offense before the law, brilliant writers, literary men and women, enjoying the privilege and esteeming it as such, put some of the best brains in what they wrote. They were not writing for pay. Some couldn't be hired. They were guests of the railways, honored and entertained as such and their souls were in their stories. Had it been for filthy lucre it would have been the job of an unknown. They made it the inspiration of an artist. The stories they wrote, money could not buy. The best and most inspiring descriptions of our great natural wonders—Yosemite, Yellowstone, the Grand Canyon, Niagara falls, the White mountains and the Rockies, were written by the so-colled "dead-heads" of the past. The stories they wrote are a part of our history. They were little classics. Nothing has equaled them since and nothing will rival them in the future. So much must be said for the dead-head of days gone by.—Leslie's.

Waste of Energy.

Clarence announced his coming by a series of howls. "Oh, my finger, my finger!" he said.

"Poor little finger," mother cooed. "How did you hurt it?"

"With the hammer."

"When?"

"A long time ago," Clarence sobbed. "But I didn't hear you cry."

"I didn't cry then; I thought you were out," said Clarence.

Truthful Excuse.

"The sheriff caught his young assistant writing love letters in business hours today."

"What did the young fellow say when he was taxed with doing so?"

"Said he was not shirking his duty as they were all writs of attachment."

A Concession.

"After looking at the postal stamps of other countries I have come to the conclusion that you can't beat ours."

"Maybe not, but all the same, it gets lots of lickings."

Governor Capper of Kansas says women excel men in their interest in politics.

Before Drinking Coffee, You Should Consider Whether Or Not It Is Harmful

"There's a Reason" for POSTUM

Don't Be Envious.

Crush all envy out of your heart. The envious person is in pain upon all occasions which ought to give him pleasure. The relish of his life is past, and the objects which administer the highest satisfaction to those who are exempt from this passion give the quickest pangs to persons who are subject to it. All the perfections of their fellow creatures are odious. Don't be envious.

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Wrong Place.

"I see where some scientist is going to the Canary islands to study the psychology of the ape."

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Good health depends upon good digestion. Safeguard your digestion and you safeguard your health. Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills provide the safeguard. A medicine as well as a purgative. Adv.

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Russian women predominate among foreign-born students of their sex in Paris.

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THE CENTRE REPORTER.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 1917

REBERSBURG

Lagrippe has made its appearance in this vicinity.

Clarence Long is confined to his bed with a severe attack of tonsilitis.

Le ter Minnich spent a few days last week at Mifflinburg and Milton on special business.

The horse sale held at this place on Monday by Yoder, of Kansas, brought many people from a distance.

Mrs. Whitman, of Illinois, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Waite, at this place.

Charles Waite, who is employed at Lewisburg, is spending this week under the parental roof.

At the two public sales held last week in this vicinity live stock and farm implements did not bring the prices they did a year ago.

Since the coal dealers at Coburn are out of coal quite a lot of fuel is being hauled from Spring Mills to this piece.

Elmer Bierly is making preparations to move his portable shingle mill to Madisonburg where he will operate the same for several months.

In less than one and one-half hours Yoder sold his car load of horses on Monday, at an average of $218.00 per head.

Last week while Allen Brungart was crossing the meuntain on his way to Sugar Valley his buggy slid over the bank and upset at the time the road was one sheet of ice. Luckily no one was hurt but it cost Mr. Brungart a pair of new shafts. Now why don't our road supervisors fence this dangerous road as the posts and rails have been lying along the road for several years and are in a decaying condition.

Aaronsburg.

Mrs. J. J. Fiedler is suffering from pneumonia.

A. J. Harter, of Rockford, Ill., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Lewis Mensch.

Walter Orwig, who is employed in Milton, spent a week with his family here.

Mrs. George McCormick and little son, from Potters Mills, are spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mingle.

Mrs. T. C. Weaver returned to her home on Friday, having taken sick while with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Bowersox, at Wolfs Chapel.

Mrs. Harvey Charles, of Hartleton, is the welcome guest for a week at the home of her son-in-law, Claude Fiedler.

Miss Ella Boyer, after spending a month or more at the John Haines home, returned to her father's home at Pine Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Guisewite gave a party in honor of their daughters, Misses Sarah and Mae, on Thursday night, in the form of a dance. Music was rendered by Elmer Hull, violinist.

PENN HALL

Harry Ulrich and family, from Spring Mills, spent Sunday with Mrs. Ulrich's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Musser.

William Rockey from Tusseyville visited his friend, Clarence Musser, over Sunday.

Mrs. William Hettinger and Mrs. Allen Kramer spent Tuesday at the home of Warren Stover.

Harvey Rachau, who is employed at Hollidaysburg, is visiting his wife for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. John Detwiler of near Centre Hall spent Thursday with the latter's sister, Mrs. Ephraim Shook.

Georges Valley

Mrs. John Vonada spent last Wednesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lingle.

Mrs. S. W. Decker and daughter, Miss Nettie, spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. John Auman.

Harvey Vonada has returned home after spending a week with friends in Hublersburg.

F. M. Ackerman caught a large red red fox in one of his traps on Saturday.

Quite a number of people in this section are housed up with the grip.

STATE AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

One tobacco grower in Lancaster county averages $420 an acre for the tobacco crop recently sold.

In Lebanon county a great deal of female labor was employed to help husk the corn.

In Cumberland county limestone land sells from $1.50 to $1.72 an acre and slate land for from $60 to $75 an acre.

It is estimated that insect damage to the cereal and fruit crops on the Pennsylvania farms amounts to over $25,000,000 each year.

Thousands of farmers from all sections of the State will attend the Pennsylvania Corn, Fruit, Dairy Products, Vegetable and Wool Show to be held at Harrisburg, January 22 to 26.

Pennsylvania ranks seventh in the value of its farm crops, leads all States in buckwheat production, is second in hay and apple production and third in wheat, rye and potatoes.

George L. Barlet, aged nineteen, died in the Lewistown hospital last Tuesday night from an abscess of the lungs.

From a California Subscriber.

C. W. Stahl, Esq., of the firm of Stahl and Sayles, attorneys at law, Los Angeles, California, in remitting to the Reporter, says: "It has been a good many years since I subscribed for the Reporter and I am the only one of my family of course, who enjoys its weekly contents, as the balance of my family never have lived in Pennsylvania, but it is like a letter from home to me so I trust you will give me credit with the enclosed check for $1.50 which is payable to your order, and keep the paper coming this year.

"With kind regards to yourself personally and all my Pennsylvania friends and acqusintances and wishing you abundance of success for the coming year I beg to remain,

"Yours very truly,
"C. W. STAHL."

Working on Yeagertown Lutheran Church.

A staff of about a dozen carpenters and finishers are at work under the direction of contractor John Stetler in placing the interior woodwork of the new Lutheran church at Yeagertown in position, Mr. Stetler was obliged to import most of the workmen from Snyder county and elsewhere in order to accomplish the task. The probabilities are that the edifice will not be in readiness for occupancy much before spring and it is likely that dedication services cannot be arranged until some time in April a year from the time building operations were started.

The frescoing and painting will be handled by a Williamsport firm of interior decorators, part of the work being the reproduction in full color of de Vinci's noted painting, "The Last Supper."

Favors Increase in Teachers' Salaries.

The state board of education on Friday adopted resolutions favoring an increase of $50 per year in the present salaries of all teachers in the public schools of the state and favoring an appropriation of $18,500,000 to the elementary and high schools of the state for the coming biennial period.

The board spent considerable time discussing normal and vocational schools and arranged with representatives of the University of Pennsylvania, State College and the University of Pittsburgh to establish summer schools for training continuation school teachers. Secretary J. George Becht was instructed to take up the matter of securing the state's share of the appropriation for vocational education carried by the bill just enacted by congress.

State Wool Clip Was Valuable.

Statistics gathered by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture show that there were 630,500 fleeces clipped in the State during the year that were valued at approximately $1,350,531.

The average weight of each fleece is estimated at 6.3 pounds, a trifle heavier than the average of a year ago while the average price of wool per pound was thirty-four cents as compared with twenty-seven cents in 1915. It is estimated that the total clip amounted to 3,972,150 pounds.

There has been a decided increase in interest in the sheep industry during the past six months and several thousand sheep have been brought into the State through the efforts of the Department of Agriculture.

Butter and Milk at State Show.

Over one hundred dollars in prizes for the best butter and milk exhibited at the Pennsylvania Corn, Fruit, Dairy products, Vegetable and Wool Show at Harrisburg, January 22 to 26 have been offered and many samples are expected to be shown from all sections of the State.

There were two classes for butter, a creamery and dairy class and prizes in each will consist of ten dollars or silver cup for first prize, eight dollars or silver cup for second prize, five dollars third prize and three dollars for fourth prize. The competition is open to all butter makers in Pennsylvania and it will be quite a distinction to some farmer's wife to carry away the butter championship of the State. Two rectangular one pound prints must be offered for exhibition and competion, in both the creamery and dairy classes.

The milk classes are for certified and market milk and four quarts of certified milk are required for entry and either four pints or four quarts of market milk comprises an entry. The milk must have been milked on the evening of January 17 and must not be pasteurized or contain any preservative. The same prizes that are to be given in butter classes will be duplicated in the milk competion. Information concerning the shipping of milk and butter and entry blanks can be secured by addressing the Department of Agriculture at Harrisburg, Pa., or E. K. Hibsham, State College.

Transfers of Real Estate.

W. J. Shultz et al trenden to Reformed Cemetery Association., tract of land in Marion twp.; consideration $35.

Nannie B. Mothersbaugh et al to Harry C. Bailey, tract of land in Harris Twp.; consideratoin $1750.

John H. Krumbine et ex to Clifford S. Thomas, tract of land in Centre Hall; consideration $1,300.

ANIMAL TO BE LEFT ALONE

Porcupine Strictly Defensive, but a Dreaded Foe When It Comes to Close Quarters.

Perhaps you will come to the conclusion that this animal is more interesting to read about than to meet in the woods, the Philadelphia North American says. But don't worry—there are not many of him left. If he were common he might become, along with the rattlesnake, the emblem of the apostles of preparedness, for he carries a veritable arsenal around with him on his back. He is called the porcupine.

The only American member of the family is the Canadian porcupine, which occasionally wanders southward into the mountains of Pennsylvania.

Covering his body from head to foot are sharp spines, or quills, varying from one to four inches in length. When the porcupine is undisturbed the quills lie flat against the body like hair. Approach him, and the spines become erect, pointing outward like a thousand bayonets.

Ancient writers handed down fanciful stories about how the porcupine could throw one of these quills from the body. He doesn't possess this power, however. He's wholly a defensive animal.

Sometimes a dog, unacquainted with this terror of the forest, will pounce upon him like he would on a rabbit. Immediately there's a howl of pain—from the dog, not the porcupine. The quills are covered with barbs, and once they are imbedded in another animal they work their way farther in, sometimes causing death.

The quills of the Canadian porcupine are hidden by a covering of hair. He makes his home in hollow trees or in caverns, and eats vegetables and bark from trees.

MINK HAS VARIED TALENTS

Web-Footed Animal Can Climb Trees and Go a-Fishing; Also Is Valuable Prey.

Very talented is the animal. He can climb trees like a squirrel, swim like a fish, dig like a mole and kill chickens like a weasel. In addition he is endowed with an unusually fine fur, which makes him valuable prey for the hunter. He's more or less common along woodland streams, and altogether too common in the neighborhood of the farmer's poultry yards. We call him the mink.

Although he can dig as good a burrow as any other animal, the mink sometimes chooses to steal a muskrat's home rather than build one for himself, a writer in the Philadelphia North American states. To avoid future trouble with the ousted muskrat, the mink kills and eats him.

Usually he prefers to make his home along the banks of a stream or at the foot of a waterfall. Sometimes, when his taste for poultry becomes cultivated, he will establish himself under the farmer's barn to be near his food supply. He can track his prey like a hound. Besides poultry, he has a taste for rats, mice, fish and frogs.

To aid him in his fishing, the mink has partly webbed feet. His sharp claws help him in climbing trees, and sometimes he will attack birds in their nests. He is a little more than twelve inches long, has a dark brown fur and a light spot on his throat. Before sealskin became popular a single skin of the mink was worth from $10 to $12.

Seemed a Good Proposition.

"Yes," sighed the beautiful heiress, "my romance has been shattered beyond all repair. And the cruel parent was responsible for all my suffering."

We sympathized and begged her to go on.

"My suitor was young and handsome, clever. True, he had no money. But he had everything else, and oh! how he loved me. My father couldn't see him. Father is a business man, and he could not understand that true worth and poverty are not incompatible. He demanded that I dismiss my lover; he fretted and fumed whenever he called.

"I told him all my father had said against him. I repeated to him my father's remark that he would give $5,000 if I would never see him again."

"And what did he say to that?"

"He—he asked when father could be found in his office."

"Metaphysicianess."

Mary Mitford appears to have had a weakness for coining words with unnecessary female terminations. On one occasion she writes about "a young creature full of grace and beauty, living in London like a hermitess and teaching her little brothers Greek," and elsewhere she tells of "a most elegant young woman, negotiatrix of the forgeries." Worst of all is a passage in a letter to Sir William Elford, in which she says: "I believe, my dear Sir William, that you will not need 'one to come from the grave' to inform you that I am a metaphysicianess (is there such a word?)"

Putting It Up to Father.

After several unsuccessful attempts to draw her husband into conversation at the restaurant, the wife discovered the cause of his abstraction to be a beautiful girl dressed in black and seated at a nearby table.

"An attractive widow," observed the wife, coolly.

"Yes, indeed, a very attractive widow," agreed the husband, enthusiastically.

"Yes," sighed the wife. "I wish I were one."—Ladies' Home Journal.

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Sale Register.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th, at one o'clock, Mrs. Mary Ripka, at Tusseyville, will sell her residence property and stable, also household goods.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1st, at 10 o'clock a. m., 1 mile north of Potters Mills, Homer R. Treaster will sell farm stock and implements; some household furniture. A clean-up sale. L. F. Mayes auct.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, all day sale, 1 1-2 mile east of Centre Hill, by Tressler and Dauberman: clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7th, at 10 o'clock a. m., J. T. Potter and Jas. Callahan, will sell on the old Potter homestead, four miles west of Centre Hall: Farm stock, implements, etc.; clean up sale of everything.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8th, at 10 o'clock, Mathias Weagley, on the Allison farm, 1 1-2 miles North of Spring Mills, will sell farm stock and implements. A clean-up sale.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, at one o'clock, G. W. Tressler will sell at his residence, 1 and 1-2 miles east of Penns Cave: Farm stock, implements and household goods.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14TH, at ten o'clock a. m., L. R. Lingle, one-half mile west of Old Fort, on Earlystown road, will sell farm stock and implements. This will be a clean-up sale of everything on the farm.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15th, two miles east of Centre Hall, by Sharer & Keller: Clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1 o'clock p. m., to the rear of Reporter office, Centre Hall; Five pairs of mated mules, two years old at time of sale. These mules will be trained and hitched on forenoon o sale day. Also a lot of cows, fresh and springing

TUESDAY, MARCH 20th, 9 o'clock a. m., W. F. Stover, one-half mile east of Penn Hall, on the road leading to Brushvalley, will sell live stock, farm implements and household goods. Wise and Hubler, aucts.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21st, 10 a. m., about two miles west of Tusseyville, by D. Geiss Wagner Clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

THURSDAY, MARCH 22nd, at 10 o'clock a. m., R. D. Musser, one mile north of Spring Mills, will sell all farm stock, including 30 head of Holstein cattle; also farm implements. A clean-up sale of everything.

FRIDAY, MARCH, 23rd, at 10 o'clock a. m., John Snavely, at Spring Mills, will sell lot of farm stock and implements. A clean-up sale. L. F. Mayes, auct.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 12 o'clock, at Centre Hill, by Lloyd R. Smith: stock sale, consisting of horse, colts, cows, young cattle, hogs and sheep. Mayes, auct.

TUESDAY MARCH 27, the undersigned will offer at public sale the following live stock and farm implements: Seven head of horses and colts; 23 head of young cattle; 22 head of sheep; 14 head of hogs. Farm implements—3 Syracuse plows, 2 Perry harrows, 6½ tooth harrow, disc harrow, land roller, Evans corn planter, Albright corn worker, 2 mowers, side delivery rake, hay loader, hay fork, rope and pulleys, Conklin wagon, 2 buggys, New Holland feed grinder, lot of harness and Sandwich Hay Press and Power. Sale at 10 o'clock sharp. L. Frank Mayes, auct.

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—OF—

THE FARMERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

OF CENTRE COUNTY, PA.

BELLEFONTE, PA., JANUARY 8, 1917.

In compliance with the provisions of their charter the Sixtieth Annual Statement of the Company is hereby presented.

RECEIPTS

Balance in treasury January 10, 1916		$ 249 64
Cash premiums received during year		4085 72
Cash received on assessment No. 27		6554 82— $10840 18

EXPENDITURES

FIRE LOSSES—		
Mary C. Fisher	$1683 40	
G. F. Miller	42 18	
John Decker	1296 00	
Jonas Stover	1226 40	
M. H. Spicher	1471 00	
Robert Glasgow	712 79	
Elmer W. Evey	109 28	
Foster W. Evey	47 46	
Dr. C. S. Musser	100 00	
B. F. Stover	100 00	
Mrs James Alexander	93 06	
Elmer C. Ross	200 00	
Small losses	96 65—	$7178 22
Directors' pay		274 60
Secretary's salary and expenses		266 75
Treasurer's salary and expenses		69 02
Printing, postage and stationary		55 58
Sundry expenses		30 34
Loans paid		2450 00
Interest paid		269 93
Cash balance in treasury		245 68— $10840 18

RECAPITULATION

Assessment No 27 in course of collection	$2956 53		
Outstanding premiums in course of collection	345 23		
Cash balance in treasury	245 68		
Safe in office	15 00—	$3562 38	
Total cash premium past year			$4085 72
Premium notes taken past year			74816 64
Premium notes in force today			361259 27
Insurance taken past year			901679 00
Risks in force today			4054561 00

At an election held the same day the following were elected as directors for the ensuing year H. E. Duck, Col W. Fred Reynolds, Frank McFarlane, E. M. Hayett, R. H. Reed, John H. Beck, John B. Goheen, Z. D. Thomas, G. P. Gentzel, George Mitchell, George B. Haines and Frank M. Fisher.

The board reorganized by electing H. E. Duck president, Col. W. Fred Reynolds vice president, Frank M. Fisher secretary, and J. R. Brungart treasurer.

Attest: FRANK M. FISHER, Sec'y — H. E. DUCK, President

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Estate of Catherine Harper, late of Potter Townspip, deceased. } In the Orphans' Court of Centre County:

The undersigned, an auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Centre County, to distribute the funds in the hands of W. G. Runkle, executor of the last will and testament of Catherine Harper, late of Potter Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, deceased, as shown by his final account, to and amongst those entitled to receive the same, will attend to the duties of his appointment at his office in the Borough of Bellefonte, on Tuesday, January 23rd, 1917, at ten o'clock A. M., when and where all parties interested are requested to appear and present their claims before the undersigned or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.

CLEMENT DALE, Auditor

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STOVE FOR SALE.—Good, Sunshine Oak heater with 18-inch fire box; just as good as new. Reason for selling is that a Monitor Caloric pipeless furnace has been installed in the home.—D. W. BRADFORD, Centre Hall, Pa.

WANTED.—Man past 30 with horse and buggy to sell Stock Condition Powder in Centre County. Salary $70 per month. Address 9 Industrial Bldg., Indianapolis, Indiana.

FOR SALE.—Two good six-room houses, situated on East Curtin Street, Bellefonte, Pa. One has bath and the other electric light. Good location. Sale on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1917

at 2 o'clock p. m., at the Court House. See bills.

H. E. ZIMMERMAN, Bellefonte, Pa.

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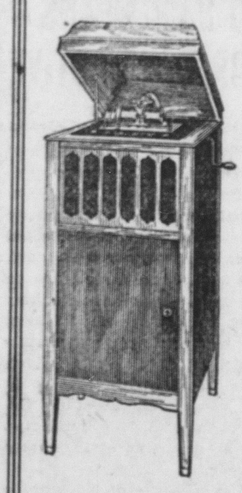
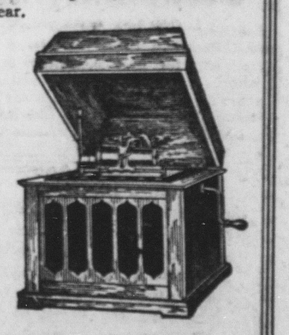
YOU CAN HAVE GOOD CHEER ALL THE YEAR 'ROUND WITH A

NEW EDISON Diamond Amberola



A New Edison Diamond Amberola is the ideal Christmas Gift because every member of the family can share the pleasure it affords every day in the year.

The name Edison on a phonograph means a perfect musical instrument, not a mere "talking" machine.



A call on the Bell phone will bring me to your home for a demonstration.

J. L. DECKER, Centre Hall, Pa.

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FOR SALE.—Property for sale: Seven-room brick house, good stable attached, and all good outbuildings.

CORA E. WAGNER, Boalsburg, Pa.
Atty-in-fact for heirs of Mary A. Durst.

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Surgeon's Case Contained a Set of Thieves' Tools, of Which He Had Made Use.

Two detectives in East New York, searching a neighborhood from which had come a report of burglars, encountered a distinguished looking man with a Van Dyke beard, a professional air and a black surgeon's bag with gold letters on it. "Good morning, gentlemen," said he, offering an engraved card. "I am Dr. Leo Brewster, and am unable to find a house on this street from which I received a telephone call to attend an urgent case. Could I ask you to direct me?"

The detectives replied that they were sorry not to oblige, but were too busy hunting burglars to look for sick people. The doctor walked briskly on his way. Before he got far the detectives saw a man look out of his front door, as if he might have been expecting a doctor. They shouted after Doctor Brewster. In stead of stopping he began to run away. After a vigorous chase the detectives captured him and found that his surgeon's case held a fine outfit of burglar's tools.